**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO**

**DOCUMENTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY**

**SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE**

**FACULTY SENATE MEETING**

**Of January 20, 2022**

The regular monthly meeting of the Faculty Senate for the 2021-2022 academic year was held January 20, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. in Zoom (online meeting) with Dr. Chad Mahood, Chair of the Faculty Senate, presiding.

1. Call to order and taking of attendance.

Present: Chad Mahood, Chris Packham, Roger Enriquez, Humberto Saenz, Gus Allo, Devon Romero, Rica Ramirez, Felicia Castro-Villarreal, Tianou Zhang, Raj Boppana, Daniel Hollas, Ginny Garcia-Alexander, Lorenzo Brancaleon, Sonya Aleman, Branco Ponomariov, Andrew Lloyd, Huy Le, Zhechao Liu, Gina Amatangelo, Kiran Bhaganagar, Victor de Oliveira, Sylvia Mansour, Dennis Lopez, Becky Huang, Brian Laub, Joshua Thurow, Emily Nicklett, Lauren Riojas, Gabriela Romero, Jurgen Engelberth, Mary McNaughton-Cassill, Diane Abdo, Alex Godet, Matthias Hofferberth, John Alexander, Rene Zenteno, Kimberly Fonzo, Richard LeBaron, Hector Aguilar, Curtis Brewer, John Wald, Michael Doyle, Andrew Konove, Drew Johnson, Jeff Prevost, Marcus Hamilton, Richard Gretz

Absent: not available

Guests: Kimberly Espy, Heather Shipley, Melinda Utoft, Debra Del Toro, Carlos Martinez, Taylor Eighmy, Veronica Mendez, Dean Hendrix, Posie Aagaard, Glenn Martinez, Greg Elliott, Libby Rowe, Pablo Requena

Total members present: 61 Total members absent: not available

1. Consent Calendar - No one objected to Consent Agenda
* Approval of minutes – December 2, 2021
* Election of Faculty Senate Vice-Chair Elect, Rene Zenteno
* Closure of the Graduate Certificate in Special Education Advocacy
* Closure of Graduate Certificate in E-STEM
* Graduate Certificate in Aerospace Engineering
* MS in Aerospace Engineering
* Resolution for Graduate Student funds
* Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Governance:

Branco Ponomariov (Chair)

Matthias Hofferberth

Sandeep Langar

Lauren Riojas

John Wald

1. Reports

**University Leadership & Academic Affairs Updates:** President Eighmy, Dr. Espy, Heather Shipley, Veronica Mendez, Glenn Martinez, Greg Elliott & Libby Rowe

**-** Southwest School of Arts (see PowerPoint slides)

**-** SSA Primer, Strategic Opportunity and Process, Business Planning, Academic Planning (Faculty Review, College Integration, Curriculum), Advancing our Position

**-** JPL Heart of the Campus: Dean Hendrix (see PowerPoint slides)

- 1. Design spaces that are dynamic for people; 2. Make sure everyone has access to the books they need

- Removing stacks but will still have access to books by requesting books via online “get it for me” service (checked out the most: reserves, NYT bestsellers, computer manuals, etc).

- Students are wanting more space in library to study; creating an open and flexible space as UTSA grows.

* 1. **Chair’s Report: Chad Mahood**

– Slides on SharePoint

- Faculty Code of Conduct Working Group; Senate Rep volunteers needed

- “UTSA’s Management of Foreign Influence Concerns”

- Staff Senate liaison needed

* 1. **Budget Committee** – John Wald

- Faculty Compensation Memo

 ***The Faculty Senate voted as follows:* Yes: 39; No: 0; Abstain: 0**

* 1. **Secretary of the General Faculty** – no report
	2. **Graduate Council Chair –** Jurgen Engelberth

- Review of Grad Certificates closures and approval of program and certificate

- Put forward Grad Council Resolution memo to Provost and will get a response; Chad will then coordinate with Provost to discuss further.

* 1. **Academic Freedom, Evaluation and Merit Committee –** no report
	2. **Curriculum Committee** – no report
	3. **HOP Committee** – Currently reviewing HOP 9.23 Procedures Governing Private Gift Solicitations; no substantial changes
	4. **Research Committee –** no report
1. **Unfinished Business:**
2. **Open discussion:**
3. **New Business:** Add new Governance Committee to faculty senate agenda next month.
4. **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and unanimously passed at 5:15 PM