

# UTSA<sup>®</sup> The University of Texas at San Antonio<sup>™</sup> FACULTY SENATE

Chair's Report

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# WELCOME



- We follow Robert's Rules so please wait to be recognized by the Faculty Senate Chair (or SoGF or lead Administrative Assistant)
- Note: this is an open meeting and people outside UTSA can attend.
- Welcome guests

# WELCOME



- Consent Agenda
  - Approval of minutes – May 4, 2023
  - Elect Secretary – Kirsten Gardner
  - Elect Parliamentarian – Mike Baumann

# UPDATES



- (1) Update from the University Leadership Council
  - SB17 and SB18.
  - Strategic Plan Refresh.
  
- (2) Interim Provost Heather Shipley hosted a reception for the Faculty Senate, the Chairs' Council and University Leadership Council yesterday.

# UPDATES



- (3) Updates from the SoGF
  - UT System Faculty Advisory Board – October 5-6
  
- (4) Reports from the Committees
  - Curriculum Committee, Andy Lloyd – Yes
    - **Minor in Adaptive Decision Models for Business – Closing a Program**
    - **B.A. Geosciences – adding a concentration in Grades 6-12 Physical Science Teacher Certification**
    - **Secondary Education Minor**
    - **B.S. in Health Administration**
    - **B.A. Film and Media**
    - **Minor in Media and Medicine**

# UPDATES



- (4) Reports from the Committees
  - Graduate Council Chair , Victor Villarreal – No
  - Budget Committee, Mary Dixson – No
  - HOP Committee, Sonya Aleman – No
  - Research Committee, George Perry – No
  - Academic Freedom, Evaluation and Merit Committee, Ginny Garcia-Alexander – No

# CONGRATS TO FACULTY SENATORS PROMOTION AND TENURE



- **Promoted to Associate Professor with Tenure**

- Neil Debbage, Political Science & Geography – COLFA
- Kimberly Garza, English – COLFA
- Humberto Saenz, Art – COLFA

- **Promoted to Professor**

- Curtis Brewer, Educational Leadership & Policy Studies, COEHD
- Jie Huang, Civil & Environmental Engineering & Construction Management – KCEID

- **Our Ex-Officio Members who received promotions**

- Mark Bayer – Department Chair Council representative – Promoted to Professor, Department of English – COLFA
- Victor Villarreal, Graduate Council representative – Promoted to Professor, Department of Educational Psychology – COEHD

# UPDATES



- Unfinished Business – None
- New Business – Faculty Senate Priorities- compiled from Aug. 16, 2023 Retreat
- Adjournment of Meeting