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FACULTY SENATE

Chair's Report

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Faculty Senate Chair

Associate Professor

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April 17, 2025



WELCOME



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

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- Consent Agenda
 - Approval of Minutes – March 20, 2025
 - Election of Vice Chair / Chair Elect of the Faculty Senate – Mary Dixon

UPDATES



- **Jennifer Sharpe Potter**, Interim Vice President for Research

UPDATES



- (1) UT System FAC meeting with Dr. Serenity King (03/31/25)
 - Discuss current legislative session
 - UT System advocates against:
 - Posting of finalists for leadership positions
 - FTT not serving on senates
 - Size of senates
 - Loss of continuity
 - Dismantlement of low producing programs
 - Overlook of curriculum

UPDATES



- (2) May meeting – in person in the Assembly Room of JPL
 - Guest: Provost Shipley
- (3) Invitation to a special meeting with President Eighmy: May 1, 9-10 AM, in person in the Regents' Room

UPDATES



- (4) Report from the Secretary – Marie Tillyer
 - None
- (6) Reports from the Committees
 - Academic Freedom, Evaluation and Merit Committee, Ginny Garcia-Alexander and Michael Karcher – Update on Position Statement
 - Budget Committee, Mary Dixon – None
 - Curriculum Committee, Zaid Haddad – Update on announcements and programs
 - Graduate Council Chair , Zachary Tonzetich– Update on Graduate School leadership
 - HOP Committee, Sonya Alemán – None
 - Research Committee, George Perry – None

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- Unfinished Business – None
- New Business – None
- Adjournment of Meeting