

Faculty Senate Minutes #326
October 9, 2013

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, October 9, 2013 in the Senate Room of the Student Union Building, with Faculty Senate President Aliza Wong, presiding.

Senators in Attendance: Ballou, Brashears, Farmer, Buelinckx, Pongratz, Drager, Hom, Milam, Qualin, Shi, Skidmore, Smith, Swingen, Weinberg, Wilde, Wong, Ritchey, Colette Taylor, Todd, Valle, Darwish, Berg, Dallas, Soliman, Zuo, McGinley, Blum, Gaines, Yuan, Cochran, James, Loewy, Becker, Monroe, Weiner, Ortiz, Peaslee, Brown, Dolter, Marks, Meek and McKoin.

Senators excused: Chris Taylor, Adams, Batra, Cole, DiPoppa, Lee, Levorio, Morgan, Mathis, Ramkumar, Arnett, Buchheit, Agnello, Caswell, Heinz, Donahue and Lastrapes.

- I. Call to order – Dr. Aliza Wong, Faculty Senate President at 3:15pm
- II. Recognition of Guests: Interim Provost Lawrence Schovanec; Vice Provosts Rob Stewart, Gary Elbow and Peggy Miller; Joaquin Borrego-Multicultural Core, Faculty Athletics Rep- Brian Shannon; Jobi Martinez-Director of the Cross Cultural Academic Advancement Center, Parliamentarian Wendy Ross; Former Faculty Senator Daniel Nathan. Other guests were: Staff Senate Anna Young, Joshua Neal-Student Senate
- III. Approval of minutes, Meeting #325, September 11, 2013. Minutes approved.
- IV. Speakers:

 3:20pm to 3:35pm Dr. Joaquin Borrego, Multicultural Core

 3:35pm to 3:50pm Dr. Lawrence Schovanec, Interim Provost and Senior Vice President
- V. Old Business: University Councils/Committees & Liaison Reports:

Childcare Issue-update, Richard Meek-Chair-no report at this time

Ad Hoc Committee on Summer Compensation for Teaching/Advising, Shane Blum-Chair- -- contact FS office/Ad Hoc Com if Senators have additional comments.

Ombudsperson-update, Gene Wilde -Will be setting up meeting with Provost and faculty senators interested in being on the committee should contact FS President Wong or the FS office.

- VI. New Business: Faculty Senate App-Munoz/TLPD has expressed an interest in making a FS app.

Dr. Gary Elbow spoke about Proposed Revisions to the Course Evaluation Form and is working with the Academic Programs committee to do this.

VII. Announcements:

Jobi Martinez, Director of the Cross Cultural Academic Advancement Center-Open Teaching Concept 2013 upcoming events and program for the year.

Dr. Brian Shannon-Faculty Athletic Representative- reported on achievements of individuals and teams at TTU. The Liaisons between Academics & Athletics: Felicia Martin & Brian Shannon

Other issues raised by Faculty Senators:

Swingen-Traffic and Safety-biking campaign, traffic around new dorm across from Music, pedestrian traffic. **Motion made by Dolter and second by Swingen for these items to be placed on the agenda and send to a committee to study. All in favor.**

Guy Bailey thank you note was read for the Jan Tillery Resolution by the FS.

Robert Peaslee (MCOM) Flatland Film Festival announcement.

VIII. Adjournment at 4:59pm