Faculty Senate Minutes #325
September 11, 2013

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 in the Senate Room of the Student Union Building, with Faculty Senate President Aliza Wong, presiding.


Guests in Attendance: President Duane Nellis, Interim Provost Lawrence Schovanec; Parliamentarian Wendy Ross; Staff Senator Anna Young; Vice Provosts Rob Stewart and Gary Elbow; Former Faculty Senators Gad Perry, Daniel Nathan, Lewis Held, and Amy Mondt. Other guests were: Peggy Miller; Brigit Green; Bryce Looney; and SGA representative Jill Berger.

I. Call to Order: Dr. Aliza Wong, Faculty Senate President called the meeting to order at 3:18 p.m.

II. Recognition of Guests.

III. Approval of Minutes: Mtg. #324, May 8, 2013. Minutes approved with corrections (attendance).

IV. Speakers:

3:20-3:40 Dr. Duane Nellis, President, Texas Tech University
3:45-4:00 Dr. Lawrence Schovanec, Interim Provost, Texas Tech University

V. Old Business: University Councils, Committees, and Liaison Reports:


- Childcare: Collaboration with Staff Senate and Student Government Association. Senator Meek reported on the status of the plan.

- Summer Compensation for Teaching and Advising: Ad Hoc committee will be formed.
• Faculty Ombudsman: Senator Wilde read resolution supporting the creation of the position. Passed on the motion of Senator Ramkumar and seconded by Senator Loewy. Posted on the FS webpage, under 2013-2014 Resolutions.

• Faculty Status and Welfare Committee: OP 70.11. Discussed. Passed on motion of Senator Monroe, seconded by Senator Peaslee. Posted on FS webpage, under 2013-2014 Reports. OP 70.37. Postponed discussion until October meeting.

VI. New Business:
• 2013-14 Committee Assignments. Senator Blum reported assignments for the year. Motion from the Committee on Committees and second by Senator Marks. Report approved. Posted on FS webpage, under 2013-2014.

• Resolution of welcome to TTU for President Nellis. Passed on motion of Senator Monroe, seconded by Senator Ramkumar. Posted on FS webpage, under 2013-2014 Resolutions.


• Resolution of Condolence to the family of the late Professor J. Tillery. Passed on motion of Senator Peaslee and seconded by Senator Skidmore. Posted on FS webpage 2013-2014 Resolutions.

• President Wong presented her remarks to the Board of Regents and the remarks were entered into the Senate record.

• Multicultural Core Guidelines. Discussion postponed until the October meeting.

VII: Announcements:
Brigit Green: Engagement Scholarship Consortium in October (ESC’13)
Richard Meek, AAUP meeting
Coffee with President Nellis—“Why Teaching Matters.”

VIII. Adjournment: President Wong adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m.