

Teaching Academy Executive Council
Minutes
February 3, 2017

Members Present:

John White, Shane Blum, Suzanne Tapp, Bill Pasewark, Scott Burris, Nathan Collie, Nancy Soonpaa, Comfort Pratt, Katie Langford, Lisa Garner-Santa,

Members Not Present: Mario Beruvides, Joaquin Borrego, Susan Tomlinson

Approval of minutes:

Bill Pasewark motioned to approve the minutes and Scott Burris seconded.

Welcome:

Shane Blum welcomed the members of the Executive Council

New Business:

Provost Update:

Dr. Blum reported the main topic of discussion was the QEP. The search process for the Provost position is ongoing with four candidates. Forums and opportunities to meet the candidates will be held toward the end of February or the beginning of March.

Spirited Discussion

A quick summary of the Spirited Discussion was given by Dr. Blum with support from participants for changing the membership criteria to include Professors of Practice and full-time instructors who have been at Texas Tech University for a minimum of three years (six long semesters). After discussion, Executive Council members voted on all proposed bylaw amendments. This changes will be submitted to the Executive Council in writing for approval at the next meeting.

In addition, an update will be sent to Teaching Academy members describing these changes, and a meeting will be scheduled with the Chair of the New Member Selection Committee to come discuss these changes and the voting protocol.

Announcements:

No new announcements at this time.

Meeting Schedule for Spring 2017:

February 24th

April 7th

May 5th

Adjourn

Shane Blum moved to adjourn and Suzanne Tapp seconded.

Respectfully submitted by Esther Saldivar