

Minutes

Faculty Assembly Membership Meeting

Tuesday, November 12, 2019 | Espino Conference Center A&B, 3:30 PM

I. *Call to Order*

The meeting was called to order without a quorum at 3:30 PM.

Present: Betsy Evans, Eric Funasaki, Christopher Herrera, David Leaver, Matthew Marsh, Jeanne Qvarnstrom, Francine Richter, Diana Rodriguez, Mark Saka, Alicia Trotman, Jessica Velasco, Joey Velasco, Dexter Wakefield, Matt Walter, Savannah Williamson, Filemon Zamora

Not present but counted: Andrew Alegria, April Aultman Becker, Jimmy Case, Theron Francis, Ilda Gonzalez, Bibiana Gutierrez, Jim Hector, Kristofer Jorgenson, Marina Kimball, Ryan Luna, Cynthia McAlister, Linda McAnally, Liz Measures, Jeffrey Meyer, Jennifer Miller, Dona Roman, Barbara Tucker

II. *Approval of minutes from Monday, October 7, 2019 meeting*

Motion: to approve minutes from Monday, October 7, 2019 meeting. Postponed due to lack of quorum.

III. *Guest Speakers*

1. *Valerie Baca, SGA President*

Valerie was not present.

2. *Dr. Jeanne Qvarnstrom, Office of Institutional Effectiveness*

Dr. Qvarnstrom provided updates from the IE Office. See appendix.

3. *Dr. Michael Ortiz, MRGC Faculty Senate President, Associate Professor of Mathematics*

Dr. Ortiz traveled from MRGC to provide an update, from his perspective, on the state of MRGC in recent months. Dr. Ortiz is a four-term president of the MRGC Faculty Senate which only meets once per semester. He called a special meeting of the senate to meet next week where he will provide a similar update, including information about a letter that Faculty Senate sent to the President in regards to CIO Dave Gibson.

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- Dr. Ortiz began by acknowledging some of the issues faculty at MRGC and Alpine are facing are similar, to include the aligning of degree programs
- He then provided some history, dating back to 2002, of groups calling for a split between SRSU-Alpine and the former RGC. He clarified that the MRGC campuses function as a single unit and that many faculty and students travel between Del Rio, Eagle Pass, and Uvalde to teach and learn.
- He also noted enrollment and demographic differences between MRGC campuses and Alpine.
- He outlined some of the events that have occurred as a result of faculty calling for support, acknowledgement, and conversations to separate from SRSU-Alpine.
- He explained the Higher Education Summit cancellation and subsequent reorganization – that members of the community rather than SRSU officials put it on.
- He shared examples of lack of communication felt by faculty at MRGC including:
 - a. Lack of transparency about hiring meet and greets with VP candidates
 - b. Lack of widespread info about Campus Master Planning campus visits by the firm in charge of the plan
- He mentioned a program of Angelo State University in conjunction with Uvalde ISD and SWTJC to grow an engineering program

Dr. Ortiz's conversation was met with discussion and resulted in a long-term conversation about issues spanning all SRSU campuses.

IV. *President's Report*

1. *Math Pathways Survey*

Dr. Stein shared information about a survey coming out of the University of Texas Dana Center. Dr. Angie Brown is working with Office of Institutional Effectiveness to implement this survey, so be on the lookout.

2. *New University Committees noted at the November 4 Faculty/Staff meeting:*

- a. *Provost/CIO Committee for Technology and Distance Education*
- b. *IE Committee for Campus Environment Survey*

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- c. *Director of Facilities (Bob Jacob)'s Campus Master Plan Committee*
- d. *President's Academic Integrity Assessment Committee*

Dr. Stein highlighted information about committees shared during the Faculty/Staff meeting held Monday, November 4. She was not present so asks that anyone interested contact committee heads to find out more information.

Dr. Stein also shared about a meeting with the President regarding ITV classrooms for the Spring Semester. The President encouraged Stein to set up a meeting with CIO Dave Gibson.

V. *Vice President's Report*

Dr. Theron Francis was unable to attend. Dr. Francis asked that we announce the Research Symposium and Dr. David Leaver also made an announcement to that effect.

VI. *Secretary/Treasurer's Report*

Nothing to report.

VII. *Parliamentarian's Report*

Nothing to report.

VIII. *Old Business*

IX. *New Business*

1. *Sully Reads Committee in-person voting for Fall 2020 title selection*

Betsy Evans conducted in-person voting on behalf of the Sully Reads Committee for the 2020 title selection. Three people cast in person ballots. The votes were counted and the selected title is: *The Moth Presents: True Stories of Defying the Impossible (2019)* edited by Catherine Burns.

Betsy will report the title selection to the Committee, to Faculty Assembly Membership, and to Dr. Harris in lieu of the TBD Director of New Student Programs.

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X. Council Reports

1. Athletics Council

Dr. Stein reported that the Athletics Council had met and additionally something about ensuring that athletic busses have wifi access.

2. Budget Oversight Council

3. Curriculum Council

4. Department Chairs Council

5. Faculty Assembly Executive Council

6. Graduate Council

7. Honors Council

8. Library and Research Technologies Council

9. Promotion and Tenure Council (formerly Faculty Affairs Council)

10. Research Council

11. Sustainability Council

12. Teacher Education Council

13. Teaching Council

XI. Committee Reports

XII. Announcements

1. Dr. Leaver announced the Research Symposium's upcoming deadlines (see appendix for attached handout)
2. An announcement about Midland College moving to a Monday through Thursday course rotation while SRSU continues on as a Monday through Friday offering. Questions about whether ITV classes with MC will be MWF.
3. Dr. Alicia Trotman provided an update from the Website Redesign Committee: The RFP is being finalized to be released this week.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn (Velasco, Joey). Seconded (Leaver). Passed.



November 2019 IE Update

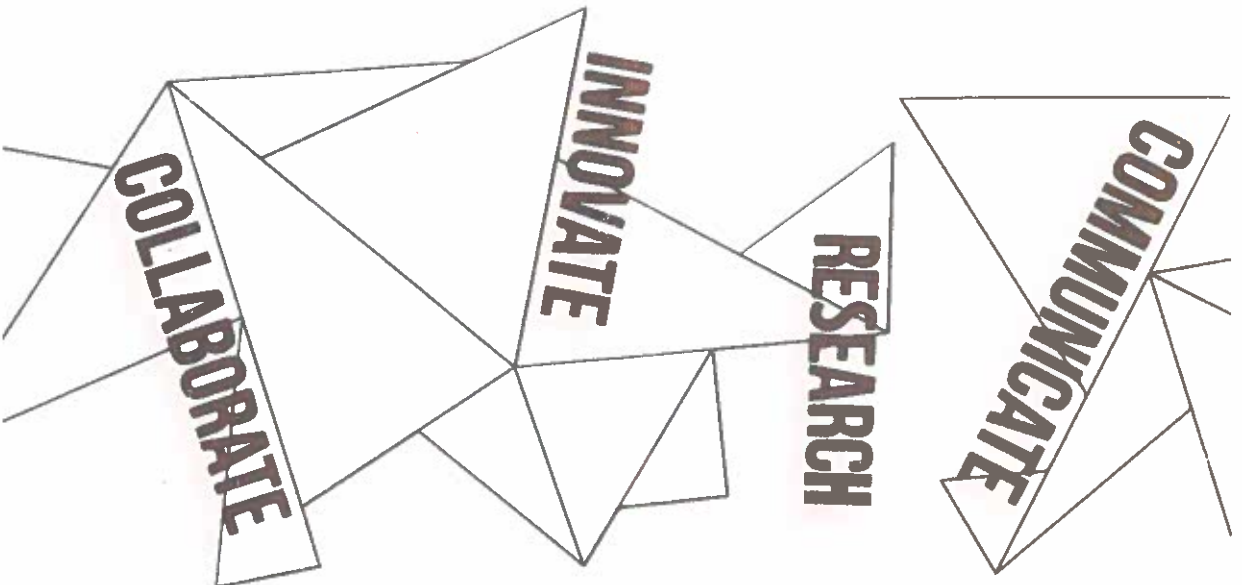
Marketable Skills

- 3 - 5 skills
- dissemination plan (1 paragraph)
- upload in Improve by December 31, 2019

Core Curriculum

- survey questions for Personal Responsibility and Social Responsibility modified
- launch in Blackboard
- scores will be accessible to faculty

IR Director Interviews 11/15



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COME AND SUPPORT OUR SRSU STUDENTS FROM ALL CAMPUSES
AS THEY PRESENT THEIR RESEARCH IN PRESENTATIONS, PANELS,
AND POSTERS! KEYNOTE SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON.

SRSU FACULTY MEMBERS FROM ALL CAMPUSES SHOULD NOMINATE STUDENTS WHO HAVE PRODUCED EXCELLENT RESEARCH OR CREATIVE WORK DURING THE CURRENT ACADEMIC YEAR (FALL 2019 OR WORK-IN-PROGRESS SPRING 2020).

STUDENTS YOU WISH TO NOMINATE WILL NEED TO PROVIDE A TITLE AND A 250 WORD ABSTRACT OF THEIR PRESENTATION OR POSTER WHICH YOU WILL THEN SUBMIT THROUGH THE SYMPOSIUM NOMINATION FORM. INFO ON ACCESSING THE FORM WILL BE SENT OUT SOON FROM: SRSUSYMPOSIUM@SULROSS.EDU

STUDENT NOMINATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 13th!

APRIL 20TH
NOON - 6:00 PM
KEYNOTE at 12:30 PM
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