

Minutes

Faculty Assembly Membership Meeting

Monday, April 18, 2022 | ACR 204 and Teams, 3:30 PM

I. *Call to Order*

The meeting was called to order just after 3:30 PM.

Present: Andrew Alegría, Oguzhan Basibuyuk, Britney Berumen, Anirban Bhattacharjee, Rosemary Briseño, Angela Brown, Samantha Cardenas, Hong Young Chang, Kendra DeHart, Betsy Evans, Theron Francis, Christopher Herrera, Kristofer Jorgenson, Jeffrey Keeling, Jessica Kelsch, Robert Kinucan, Ryan Luna, Elizabeth Measures, Jennifer Miller, Shanna Moody, Richard Mrozinski, Ian Peddie, Billy Jack Ray, Christopher Ritzi, Thomas Shiller, Lisa Sousa, Kathy Stein, Alicia Trotman, Kevin Urbanczyk, Jessica Velasco, Joseph Velasco, Melissa Wesney, Naixue (Neal) Xiong

Not present but counted in the quorum: Carolyn Barrientes, Jamie Boyd, Karrin Ford, Chris Garcia, William Green, Ismail Gunes, Louis Harveson, Ronda Hayes, Jim Hector, Anne Marie Hilscher, P. Brian Kiessling II, Elba Lamar, Thornton Larson, Billy Ray Laxton, Cynthia McAlister, Julie Vega, Savannah Williamson

II. *Guest Speakers*

1. *SGA President, Alyssa Salles or delegate*

No representative from SGA was present at the meeting.

2. *Executive Vice President and Provost Dr. Bernie Canteñs*

Dr. Canteñs shared goals for his office, including (1) to re-establish the Curriculum Council, (2) to involve the Curriculum Council in faculty hiring, (3) to strengthen the Budget Council, (4) to work on faculty salaries contingent upon announcement of Interim President May 2, (5) to emphasize faculty research and develop an annual award for research, (6) to promote online programs through marketing, (7) to improve the website, (8) to develop third year review programs, (9) scholarship statements for departments, (10) to combine tenure and promotion, and (11) course releases for faculty who guide three theses.

III. *Determination of Quorum*

A quorum was determined.

IV. *Approval of minutes from November 15, 2021 meeting.*

- *Notes are available from February 21, 2022 and March 22, 2022 meetings but need not be approved due to lack of quorum.*

Motion: To approve minutes from the November 15, 2021 meeting (Measures). Seconded (Francis). Passed.

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V. *President's Report*

1. *Faculty Assembly Officer Elections*

- *Election will take place in New Business using Qualtrics for those on Teams and paper ballots for those in person. Members may vote online or in person.*
- *Call for nominations from the floor*
- *Nominees include:*
 1. *Dr. Eric Busby for President*
 2. *Dr. Anirban Bhattacharjee for Vice President*
 3. *Dr. Jennifer Miller for Secretary-Treasurer*

Voting took place. Dr. Busby, Dr. Bhattacharjee, and Dr. Miller won their respective officer positions.

2. *Discuss and take action (if any) on FAEC proposed update to Faculty Assembly Constitution (relating to when to count quorum)*

Discussion took place.

Motion: To accept FAEC proposed update to Faculty Assembly Constitution (relating to when to count quorum) as presented (Francis). Seconded (Measures). Passed.

3. *Discuss and take action (if any) on FAEC proposed update to Faculty Assembly Constitution (relating to attendance for quorum)*

Discussion took place.

Motion: To amend recommended required attendance from 20 to 30% (Kelsch). Seconded (Ray). Passed.

Motion: To accept FAEC proposed update as amended to Faculty Assembly Constitution (relating to attendance for quorum) (Velasco, Jessica). Seconded (Kelsch). Passed.

4. *Discuss and take action (if any) on FAEC proposed update to Faculty Assembly By-Laws (Policy on Resolutions of No Confidence, Censure, and Confidence)*

Discussion took place.

Motion: To accepted FAEC proposed update to Faculty Assembly By-Laws (Policy on Resolutions of No Confidence, Censure, and Confidence) as presented (Kelsch). Seconded (Francis) Passed.

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5. *Discuss and take action (if any) on Budget Oversight Council's proposed updates to Faculty Assembly By-Laws (BOC Charge and Membership)*

Discussion took place.

Motion: To amend proposal to change wording of the membership to name the three Alpine colleges (Ritzi). Seconded (Ray). Passed.

Motion: To accept Budget Oversight Council's proposed updates to Faculty Assembly By-Laws (BOC Charge and Membership) as amended (Velasco, Jessica). Seconded (Kelsch). Passed.

6. *Discuss and take action (if any) on FAEC proposed update to Faculty Assembly By-Laws (proposal to create Joint Curriculum Council)*

Discussion took place.

Motion: To amend proposal to remove the Title V representative from required membership (Measures). Seconded (Ray). Passed.

Motion: To accept FAEC proposed updates to Faculty Assembly By-Laws (proposal to create Joint Curriculum Council) as amended (Measures). Seconded (Velasco, Jessica). Passed.

7. *Discuss and take action (if any) on Access and Excellence in Coaching Award Nominations*

- *Nominees include:*
 1. *Coach Rachel Baity, Assistant Women's Basketball Coach*
 2. *Coach Troy Canaba, Head Softball and Volleyball Coach*
 3. *Coach Richard Embry, Linebackers Coach/Special Teams Coordinator*

Voting took place. Coach Rachel Baity was announced as winner.

8. *University Presidential Search update*

Dr. Stein shared that the Interim President would be announced on May 2 and present on the Alpine campus on May 3.

9. *Debrief following meetings with Faculty Senate President Dr. Wesley Wynne and Executive Vice President and Provost Dr. Bernie Canteñs, President Pete Gallego*

10. *End of Year Party: Saturday, April 30, 4 PM. Potluck at the home of Dr. Kathy Stein. BYOB and BYO Chair. 1903 Enfield in Alpine.*

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11. *Outstanding Teaching Award Update*

- *Ceremony will be Monday, April 25 at 4:30 PM in the Pete P. Gallego Center Fishbowl*

Congratulations were offered to Dr. Alicia Trotman for winning the award.

VI. *Vice President's Report*

1. *Council and Committee Slate updates*

Dr. Francis shared that the Council and Committee Slate updates would be due at the end of September. He will work with Dr. Bhattacharjee to pass the baton.

Dr. Francis honored Dr. Kathy Stein for eight years of service to the Faculty Assembly.

VII. *Council and Committee Reports*

1. *Athletics Council (Velasco, Jessica)*

Dr. Velasco shared that the ASC Survey was open and feedback was encouraged.

2. *Academic Integrity Council (Velasco, Jessica)*

Dr. Velasco shared about Integrity Matters Week.

3. *Honors Council (Stein)*

Dr. Stein shared that Honors Council award recipients would be announced soon.

4. *LIRT Council (Kelsch) shared that they would meet with the Provost the following week related to his plans for a research award and display in the library.*

5. *Research Council (Shiller) shared that Enhancement Funds were open for application.*

VIII. *Secretary/Treasurer's Report*

1. *Discuss and take action (if any) on Spring 2022 Membership List*

Motion: To accept Spring 2022 Membership List as presented (Evans). Seconded (Measures). Passed.

IX. *Parliamentarian's Report*

Nothing to report.

X. *Old Business*

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1. *Status of funding for Teaching and Research Councils*
- XI. New Business*
1. *Faculty Assembly Officer Elections from item V-1.*
- XII. Announcements*
1. Dr. Moody announced an upcoming Wellness event, Wednesday this week.
 2. Julie Vega is the Dual Credit Coordinator.
 3. Honors Convocation is tonight at 7 PM.
 4. Please remind students to submit course evaluations, per the Office of Institutional Effectiveness.
- XIII. Adjournment*

Motion: To adjourn (Measures). Seconded (Francis). Passed.