

Minutes
Faculty Assembly Meeting
Monday, Sept. 25, 2023

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Eric Busby at 3:32 PM.

II. Guests:

Provost Report: Dr. Bernie Canteñs provided an update to the FA and shared the following information.

- a. Enrollment: It was reported that enrollment is looking well compared to previous years, with the Alpine campus and graduate enrollment seeing an interest.
- b. Marketing: There will be bill boards soon in multiple locations advertising SRSU and targeted marketing campaigns of the following programs: M.Ed. Counseling, MBA, Sports Administration
- c. Final Draft of the FA Handbook was presented.
 - i. Section 2.08 updated which defines a standard faculty workload, 4/4.
 - ii. Future work will need to be conducted to update post tenure review, 2.21.
 - iii. Recommendation for 2.14 to revisit the Academic Planning Committee function and to visit changing the definition and function of this committee.
- d. Faculty Pay was discussed. Administration is aware of the need to increase pay and did note the improvement in graduate adjunct pay this year in place.

II. Quorum was established with 49 members present.

III. Approval of April 2023 Minutes.

Motion: To approve April 2023 Minutes (Kelsch). Seconded (Sousa). Passed.

IV. President's Report

- Hanover Report is listed on the website.
- It was announced that we would be planning to honor the Coach of the Year at an upcoming meeting. Jessica Velasco offered to assist with planning recognition with the FA EC.
- Council and Committee Slate was presented. There was some need to revisit the slate and provide additional time for faculty to sign up for open positions. Faculty were asked to please make requests no later than Thursday, Sept. 28th and to email the FA assembly email for requests.

V: Secretary/Treasurer Report

- Texas Council of Faculty Senates dues was paid.
- It was requested that councils and committees contact the secretary to request website changes or to add minutes/etc.

VI. Parliamentarian Report: Nothing was reported.

VII. Council and Committee Reports

- FAR: Jessica Velasco shared that Billy Ray Laxton is no longer on the FAR. Please complete grade checks. This helps with retention.
- Academic Integrity Council: Information and results from a AI survey initiated in 2023 was shared. Issues with academic dishonesty should be reported to Dean Harris.

VIII: Old Business

- Nothing was shared.

IX: New Business

- Communication Policy: Several voiced concern regarding the new communication policy and asked for clarification as to why the need for communication monitoring with students.

Motion: To adjourn (Jessica Velasco), Seconded (Jorgenson). Passed.