

Texas Woman's University

Faculty Senate

2008-09 FACULTY SENATE MEETING

April 10, 2009

Student Union, Room 207

ROLL CALL

Senators:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ayers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Espinosa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ladd	<input type="checkbox"/> Shipley (excused)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Booker
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biggerstaff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fannin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> McClellan	<input type="checkbox"/> Shuster	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> - Liaison to the TCFS, Landrum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Binder	<input type="checkbox"/> Goodman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oliphant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Silliman- French	<input type="checkbox"/> Speaker Ex Officio, Baker
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bowman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grigorieva	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petterborg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Simpson	<u>27</u> Present
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hilbun	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stuckenbruck	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bettye Myers Parliamentarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cesario	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hodges	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryu	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tapler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tracey Oney Administrative Assistant

Guests Attending:

Connie Maxwell (Library)

Chris Reid (Library)

Dr. Derrell Bulls (Ombudsman)

<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Date: March 13, 2009 Regular Meeting)</p> <p>Recommend amending the March 13, 2009 meeting minutes by adding the wording for the Handgun Resolution (L. Petterborg)</p> <p>Motion: Accept amended March 13, 2009 meeting minutes (R. Fannin, Second J. Asel)</p>	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p> <p>Motion Passed</p>
<p>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</p> <p>Modifications to Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Clayton deleted from agenda (unable to attend); Ms. Chris Reid and Ms. Connie Maxwell from the Library added as Guest Speakers (L. Ladd) 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last item on Unfinished Business should read: <i>Motion: TWU Faculty Senate Resolution on Concealed Hand Guns</i> (L. Petterborg) • Move Bad Weather Notification from Unfinished Business to New Business Item; list item as <i>Resolution Regarding Notification of University Emergency Information</i> (K. Biggerstaff) • <i>Emergency Item</i> - Motion to Confirmation of Nominating Committee of members for Faculty Senate (OJ Bowman, Second L Petterborg) <p><u>Motion:</u> Approve amended Faculty Senate Agenda (M. Demuynck; Second K. Biggerstaff)</p>	<p>Motion Passed</p> <p>Motion Passed</p>
<p>Opening Remarks – Speaker Linda Ladd</p> <p><u>Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Speaker’s Report attached • Budget Faculty Senate due April 30, nominees for Speaker welcome to attend planning meeting • Adjunct Taskforce final report will be presented at May meeting • April 23rd Faculty Senate Reception for Convocation; thank you to Bettye Meyers for underwriting this event (food and flowers) • Executive Committee voted to not invite Guest Speakers on the Handgun Resolution but the issue remains on the agenda today since it was “tabled” at the last meeting 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>
<p>Report from Speaker Pro Tem – Larry Petterborg</p> <p><u>Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree will be planted for Gayle Loeffler’s retirement (April 27); Remaining (\$250) funds added to Dr. John Weinkein endowment in Gayle’s name; Retirement party will be scheduled at a later date. 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>
<p>Report from Secretary – Brenda Binder</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>
<p>Report from Liaison to the Texas Council of Faculty Senates—Peggy Landrum</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey about the Hand Gun Resolution to university 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>
<p>Guest Speakers - Library: Chris Reid and Connie Maxwell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Library Budget (C. Reid): Current fee is \$50/student/semester and has not been raised since 2003; until fee can be raised the following are steps being taken 	

<p>by the Library: 1) Database vendors contacted about holding costs related to inflation, 2) Review duplication of periodicals (print/electronic), 3) Elimination of popular periodicals (i.e. Better Homes and Gardens), 4) Exploration of the DE fee for electronic databases, 5) Evaluation of cost/user search statistics, 6) Purchase fewer monographs and AV materials; Note: Library formula for colleges/departments modified every year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plagiarism Tutorial (C. Maxwell): Implemented last year with 2240 student uses; Understanding Information Sources Tutorial launched 1/2009 (250 students used); Need two more modules to complete series and will be on-line this summer with post-tests. 	
Standing Committee Reports	
<p><u>Academic Freedom & Responsibility</u>—Ron Fannin</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Course Evaluation Policy with First Reading in May 2009; policy found on the Document on Faculty Senate Blackboard 	<u>Outcome:</u>
<p><u>Academic Standards</u>—Lybeth Hodges & Jeff Robb</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ad Hoc Committee on Advising; send examples to L. Hodges/R. Shipley; recent Lasso article on importance of advising; Dr. Judith Bean office will be holding a Forum on advising for faculty • Items under Unfinished Business 	<u>Outcome:</u>
<p><u>Administrator Evaluations</u>—Marie-Anne Demuynck</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up-dated administrator evaluation list with surveys to be sent to faculty this semester 	<u>Outcome:</u>
<p><u>Budget and Planning</u>—James Espinosa</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting prior to next Executive Committee 	<u>Outcome:</u>
<p><u>Committee Selection Committee</u>—O. Jayne Bowman</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached report with information about Nominating Committee and process for May meeting 	<u>Outcome:</u>
<p><u>Constitution and Bylaws</u>—Roger Shipley</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See report attached • Motion sent by R. Shipley later in the agenda 	<u>Outcome:</u>
<p><u>Elections</u>—Kerry Webb</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ballots for nominations of Senate officers distributed; 	<u>Outcome:</u>

<p>return by May 6th to Faculty Senate Office with 1 page Bio; Election will be conducted May 8th meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaison to the Texas Council of Faculty Senates is required to be a member of Faculty Senate (p. 21) upon election to position <p><u>Emergency Motion:</u> Faculty Senate to extend the term of our delegate to the TCFS for one year unless there is a new nominee for this position for 2009-2010. (K. Webb; Second L. Petterborg)</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Postpone the emergency motion to the first meeting of the new Senate (R. Fannin; Second C. King)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senator Election Report: <i>College of Arts and Sciences:</i> Garry Evans, James Espinosa, Ellina Grigorieva, Denise Maricle, Stephen Souris <i>College Health Sciences:</i> Kyle. Biggerstaff, Chad Smith, D. Rhu and R. Shipley run off election (4/13 to 4/17) <i>College of Nursing –</i> Rita DelloStritto, Connie Ayers <i>College of Professional Education:</i> Lynn Akin, Sharla Snider <i>Library:</i> Eula Oliphant • See attached <i>Elected Committees</i> (FEDC/FDLC/Faculty Review Committee) Report; Vacancies and run-off elections will be filled by April 17; Michele Emerson in CON resigned and will need to be added to vacancies for next year • Electronic voting may be used (i.e. clickers, PsychData) 	<p>Motion to postpone emergency motion Passed</p>
Reports from University Committee Representatives	
<p><u>Curriculum</u></p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee has not met 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>
<p><u>Faculty Evaluation & Development</u> - Janet Hilbun & Clay King</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FEDC four members have been appointed by Dr. Clayton to the taskforce/committee to coordinate the Annual Performance Evaluation with Promotional/Tenure Policy 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>
<p><u>Graduate Council</u> - Constance Ayers</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meets next week 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>
<p><u>Undergraduate Council</u> – Kimberly Booker</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>

<p>Unfinished Business:</p> <p><i>Task Force on Adjunct Instructors-Final Report</i> (L. Ladd)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be presented at May 2009 Faculty Senate Mtg <p><i>Task Force on Distance Education Policies and Procedures</i> (J. Robb)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft document to share at Faculty Senate; Taskforce will continue into Fall 2009 <p><i>Task Force on Annual Performance Review and Integration with Promotion and Tenure</i> (K. Biggerstaff)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey conducted, more than 130 faculty participated • Draft report at end of Spring 2009 semester <p><i>Joint Taskforce of Council of Chairs/Senate on Academic Integrity</i> (J. Robb)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointed by Dr. Clayton, first meeting conducted; Taskforce will continue into Fall 2009 <p><i>Ad Hoc Committee on University Committees</i> (R. Shipley, J. Espinosa)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five committee members; J. Espinosa to clarify membership names <p><i>Ad Hoc Committee on Outside Employment Form</i> (R. Shipley and L. Ladd)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final document by May 2009 meeting • University Policy may need to be modified but the task of the committee is to develop the form <p><i>TWU Resolution on Concealed Hand Guns</i> (L. Petterborg)</p> <p><u>Motion</u> (previously tabled and read (L. Petterborg)): Be it resolved that the members of Texas Woman’s University Faculty Senate opposes any legislation or initiatives that will overturn the present prohibitions on carrying concealed weapons on university campuses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion limited to 15 minutes included: 1) Virginia Tech versus Texas response to issue; 2) Texas Bill has left Committee to go to Senate floor; 3) Concern that students will not be able to defend themselves on campus; 4) Need to communicate with our own legislators; 5) CON Houston faculty/staff/student survey information (attached); 6) Houston security guards do not carry weapons as opposed Denton; 7) Faculty tend to be the targets of violence on campus due power position; 8) Odds low that will be shot by individual with registered handgun and response to a problem that does not exist; 9) Legally concealed handguns may be carried on campus just not building; 10) Handguns are ban in Texas Senate/House; 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>
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<p>11) Purpose of the motion is public statement that Senate opposes the legislation</p> <p>Motion: Extend discussion for 5 minutes (C. Ayers: Second S. Cesario)</p> <p>Question Called (L. Ladd), Handgun Resolution Motion Read (L. Petterborg)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> L. Ladd stated that Dr. Nichols reported that Denton security officers leave their guns in the cars and do not carry into buildings; L. Petterborg reported that the Dallas security guard does carry a gun into building. 	<p>Motion to extend the discussion Failed</p> <p>Yes = 21, No = 4 Motion (TWU Handgun Resolution) Passed</p>
<p>New Business</p>	
<p><i>Constitution Committee</i></p> <p><u>Motion for First Reading:</u> The Senate will establish a new standing committee – Faculty Handbook Committee (J. Espinoza; Second R. Fannin)</p> <p><i>Procedure for Election of Officers for 2009-2010 Faculty Senate</i> (K. Webb)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See discussion above <p><i>Confirmation of Nominating Committee members for Faculty Senate</i></p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Confirmation of the following Faculty Senators as members of the Nominating Committee members: J. Espinosa, S. Carter, L. Silliman-French, R. McClellan, J.Hilbun (OJ Bowman; Second C. King)</p>	<p>Motion Passed (unanimous)</p> <p>Motion Passed (unanimous)</p>
<p><i>Resolution Regarding Notification of University Emergency Information</i></p> <p><u>Motion:</u> WHEREAS, TWU is located in three different cities and four different campuses; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, a large percentage of the TWU student body commutes relatively long distances in heavily populated areas with substantial commuter traffic to each of the campuses; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, all TWU campuses have experienced unplanned closings usually concerning weather requiring rapid notifications of TWU students, staff, and faculty; and</p>	<p>Motion Passed (unanimous)</p>

<p>WHEREAS, other universities across the nation have experienced security emergencies that would have benefitted from rapid communication with the university community; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, commonly used communication technology has grown in recent years to include not only land-line telephones, but also cell phones and email that may be accessed through hand-held devices and checked from remote locations; therefore it is</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate encourages the University to develop a general and/or campus specific emergency notification system that can be used voluntarily by University students, staff, and faculty that utilizes all common communication systems including campus telephones, personal home telephones, personal cell phones, text messaging, and email in addition to the techniques that are currently used by the University for emergency notifications (K. Biggerstaff; Second K. Webb)</p>	
<p>New Concerns for Senators</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget: No new information on the Budget crisis; Budget questions should be sent to T. Oney or L. Ladd; Dr. Clayton will be at May 8th meeting to address questions • Denton Regional Hospital – Five HR employees and TWU has 20 employees; Could this be a budget issue? • Why has it been 5 years since the cost-based formula (2004) known and now it has just become a budget issue? 	<p><u>Outcome:</u></p>

Meeting adjourned: 12:05 PM

Respectfully submitted: Brenda K. Binder

*Written reports submitted by Committees:

Committee on Selection of Committees

Elections Committee

Constitution Committee