



**FACULTY SENATE MEETING**  
**Zoom Meeting**  
 Minutes – March 18

Aviles-Diz, Jorge	SPAN CLASS	P	Hutchison, Paul	ACCT COB	P	Peak, Dan	ITDS COB	A	Yeatts, Dale	SOC CLASS	P
Ayre, Brian	BIOL COS	P	Krahmer, Ana	LIBR	P	Perez, Jose	PHYS COS	P	Zhang, Tao	KHPR COE	P
Baker, Rose	LTEC COI	P	Lam, Chris	TECM CLASS	P	Philbrick, Jodi	IS COI	P			
Belshaw, Scott	CJUS CHPS	P	Lane, Jennifer	MUVS MUSIC	P	Ruggero, Camilo	PSYC CLASS	P			
Biglaiser, Glen	PSCI CLASS	P	Long, Chris	TEA COE	P	Sexton, Michael	MGMT COB	P			
Boesch, Miriam	EPSY COE	P	Mann, Paho	ASTU CVAD	P	Shahrokhi, Farhad	CSE CENG	P			
Britain, Jeff	HTM CMHT	P	Martin, James	MRTS CLASS	P	Stockdale, Nancy	HIST CLASS	P	<b>TEMPORARY SENATORS</b>		
Broberg, Kirsten	MUCS MUSIC	P	McAfee, Jason	CHEM COS	P	Stromberg, Linda	TEA COE	P	Chetan Tiwari (At-L Assoc. Professor)	GEOG CLASS	P
Catalano, Denise	RHS CHPS	P	Mehta, Smita	EPSY COE	P	Tooch, Mario	DANC CLASS	P			
Chamberlin, Adam	THEA CLASS	P	Moreland, Kimberly	ENGL CLASS	P	Walker, Jacqueline	ENGL CLASS	P			
Cherry, William	MATH COS	P	Morton, Sophie	WLLC CLASS	P	Wang, Xuexia	CSE CENG	P			
Filosofova, Tatiana	WLLC CLASS	P	Mukherjee, Dhruvodi	SOWK CHPS	P	Warren, Scott	LTEC COI	P			
Fu, Song	CSE CENG	P	Ojha, Divesh	MKTG COB	P	Watson, Cindy	TNT COS	P	<b>NON-VOTING SENATORS</b>		
Hagan, Briton	KHPR COE	P	Olness, Gloria	ASPL CHPS	P	Wickstrom, Carol	TEA COE	P	Deana Ayers	SGA	A
Hughes, Lee	BIOL COS	P	Olschofka, Felix	MUIS MUSIC	P	Yanowski, Kevin	LIBR	P	Tiffany Miller	GSC	P
			O'Toole, Erin	LIBR	P						
									<b>NON-VOTING SUBSTITUTES</b>		

Guests: Sian Brannon, Rudi Thompson, Adam Fein, Mark McClellan, Jennifer Cowley, Pam Padilla, Stacey Wolf, Valerie Martinez-Albers, Wesley Phelps, V. Barbara Bush, Elizabeth Oldmixon, Altio Ozlem, Brooke Colombo, Brenda Kihl, Mike McPherson, Lee Walker, Neal Smatresk, Terri Sundberg, Amanda Fuller, Ana Cleveland, Chalam Narayanan

I.	Welcome and Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Called to Order</li> <li>• Guidelines for the operation of this meeting using ZOOM</li> <li>• Suspension of by-laws concerning meeting format approved via a Faculty Senate e-mail vote</li> </ul>
II.	Approval of Minutes (February 12, 2020) [vote]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion to approve Faculty Senate minutes from February 12, 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Motion: Sen. McAfee</li> <li>○ 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Sen. Aviles-Diz</li> <li>○ Discussion: none</li> <li>○ To Approve: 39 – Majority</li> <li>○ Against: 0</li> <li>○ PASSED</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
III.	Faculty Discussion (President Neal Smatresk / Provost Jennifer Cowley)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Developed pandemic plans ranging from Open University to Closure of the university</li> <li>○ All Vice Presidents have developed telecommuting plans</li> <li>○ Essential services that cannot telecommute have procedures on social distancing and rotations</li> <li>○ Developed essentials staffing plan if shutdown is ordered <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Still to provide housing and meals</li> <li>▪ Approx. 1000 students still on campus</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Construction schedules have slowed</li> <li>○ There have been two active Covid-19 cases reported by UNT community</li> <li>○ Concerns about Covid-19 effect on retention and recruitment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ In person recruitment has ceased, preview days and orientations will be virtual</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Q: Will there be refunds for student housing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A: In discussions, the costs would be large</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ In person graduations are unlikely, no announcements will be made until alternatives are decided upon</li> <li>○ Summer session and Maymester have not been finalized</li> <li>○ Anticipated lower enrollment from international students next semester</li> <li>○ Budget shortfalls may need to start being addressed in the current year</li> <li>○ Low oil prices may cause issues with state funding</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Academics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 7698 courses have completed reviews (only a few need further clarification) and are being shifted online</li> <li>○ 750 laptops will be made available for students</li> <li>○ Adobe software will be accessible to students at no cost</li> <li>○ Please be understanding of the challenges students may be facing (childcare, eldercare...) – Provost has been receiving concerns from students</li> <li>○ Study abroad for Maymester and Summer have been cancelled</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Students currently on study abroad currently being given the choice to remain or to return</li> <li>○ Student Services are rapidly being converted to online formats</li> <li>● Faculty <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SPOT scores will still be collected, but will not be used in Promotion, Tenure, Re-appointment or Merit evaluations</li> <li>○ FIS deadlines for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> year reviews are being pushed 30 days</li> <li>○ Non-tenure renewal deadlines must be adhered to due to state guidelines</li> <li>○ Decisions about “Stop-the-clock” on tenure will be looked at a further date</li> <li>○ 06.001 Evaluating, Awarding, and Accepting Credit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ An exception has been made in reference to contact hours to receive credit due to current situation</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ There is increased cleaning campus wide</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Miscellaneous <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bandwidth problems with ZOOM on provider side, not university <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Limiting video will help</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Q: How can we accommodate students without proper hardware, software, or internet access? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A: Laptop checkout for students begins tomorrow</li> <li>▪ University Library is considered an essential support and will remain open and accessible</li> <li>▪ Number of internet providers are offering free service to students</li> <li>▪ IT is looking at software</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Communication and coordination is occurring with other colleges and universities</li> <li>○ We are looking in to assisting DISD</li> <li>○ Required contact hours by student teachers has been reduced by 20%</li> <li>○ Canvas is preferable to YouTube for accessibility reasons</li> <li>○ Make sure your files have been backed up</li> <li>○ UNT is following guidelines from the CDC and local health agencies</li> <li>○ Temperature monitoring is occurring for employees at the Child Development Center</li> <li>○ Conference travel that has been banned or cancelled by sponsor, faculty will still receive reimbursement for expenses related</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Open Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Q: Clarification on Deans asking for work logs from home <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A: documentation for HR that work is being done</li> <li>▪ Keeping track of continuity teaching, services, etc...</li> <li>▪ More focused on staff than faculty</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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IV.	Faculty Policy Oversight committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2<sup>nd</sup> read of 06.005 Non-tenure Track Faculty Reappointment and Promotion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Clarification of section F <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Length of appointment and reappointment for instructors</li> <li>● No changes were made</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ How are clinical faculty different? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● There is a research load</li> <li>● Definition clarification can be found in Academic Titles document</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Scholarship is listed as a requirement from Assistant to Associate but not from Associate to full <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Interpretation to be made by individual programs</li> <li>● It can include applied work</li> <li>● Elizabeth Oldmixon will work with Bertina Combs to create a procedures document</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Research faculty can be promoted but cannot be granted tenure</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ To Approve: 41</li> <li>○ Against: 1</li> <li>○ PASSED</li> </ul> </li> <li>● 2<sup>nd</sup> read of 06.002 Academic Appointments and Titles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Corrections to wording and formatting</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ To Approve: 42</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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V.	Standing committee updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● UUCC report and Graduate Council minutes acceptance will be done through Qualtrics</li> </ul>
VI.	Committee on committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Will be presented through Qualtrics and email</li> <li>● Nominations through email</li> </ul>
VII.	Ad hoc nominating committee	
VIII.	EC Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Actions will be reported via email and</li> <li>● Acceptance of revisions as non-substantive to 06.004 Faculty Reappointment, Tenure, Promotion, and Reduced Appointments</li> </ul>
IX.	New business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Documentation of exceptions to policies being made, a website will be created</li> <li>● UNT is officially an Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ over 25% Hispanic</li> <li>○ meet Pell Grant low income students and investments requirements</li> <li>○ Can apply for grants with 5 to 10 million-dollar funding possibility</li> <li>○ Can apply to HSI grants in research</li> <li>○ Score higher on grant proposals because of this as well</li> <li>○ Joanne Woodward and Provost will create a committee to work on this</li> <li>○ Faculty fellow to work with Provost office on grant procurement</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Chris Phelps is working to fix lighting on 7 floor of Highland garage – used for faculty parking</li> <li>● Parking committee had to cancel meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Parking questions forward to Sen. Yanowski</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
X.	Old business	
XI.	Good for the order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Wash your hands</li> <li>● Elections committee will take e-mail 1<sup>st</sup> calls today</li> </ul>
XIII.	Adjournment	