



FACULTY SENATE

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

FACULTY SENATE MEETING

University Union 332

MINUTES – November 14, 2018

Aviles-Diz, Jorge	SPAN CLASS	P	Kalin, Nadine	AEAH CVAD	P	Ruggero, Camilo	PSYC CLASS	P			
Ayre, Brian	BIOL COS	P	Kawamura, Kiko	MATH COS	P	Sexton, Michael	MGMT COB	P			
Baker, Rose	LTEC COI	P	Krahmer, Ana	LIBR	A	Shahrokhi, Farhad	CSE CENG	L			
Biglaiser, Glen	PSCI CLASS	P	Lane, Jennifer	MUVS MUSIC	P	Stockdale, Nancy	HIST CLASS	A			
Boesch, Miriam	EPSY COE	L	Lin, Lin	LTEC COI	A	Subramaniam, Karthigeyan	TEA COE	P			
Broberg, Kirsten	MUCS MUSIC	A	Long, Chris	TEA COE	P	Tooch, Mario	DANC CLASS	P	TEMPORARY SENATORS		
Broyles, Sheri	JOUR CLASS	P	McAfee, Jason	CHEM COS	P	Wang, Xuexia	CSE CENG	P	Blackstone, Bethany (Hensel)	PSCI CLASS	P
Burns, Doug	LIBR	P	Mehta, Smita	EPSY COE	P	Warren, Scott	LTEC COI	P			
Catalano, Denise	RHAB CHPS	A	Moreland, Kimberly	ENGL CLASS	A	Watson, Cindy	TNT COS	L			
Chamberlin, Adam	THEA CLASS	P	Morton, Sophie	WLLC CLASS	P	Wickstrom, Carol	TEA COE	P			
Chang, Mei	TEA COE	P	Mukherjee, Dhruvodi	SOWK CHPS	P	Yanowski, Kevin	LIBR	P			
Dubin, Elliot	HTM CMHT	P	O'Donnell, Joe	HTM CMHT	P	Yeatts, Dale	SOC CLASS	P			
Filosofova, Tatiana	WLLC CLASS	P	Olness, Gloria	ASPL CHPS	P						
Fu, Song	CSE CENG	A	Olschofka, Felix	MUIS MUSIC	P						
Gaffney, Nolan	MGMT COB	P	Perez, Jose	PHYS COS	P						
Hensel, Paul	PSCI CLASS	L	Peters, John	ENGL CLASS	P				NON-VOTING SENATORS		
Hughes, Lee	BIOL COS	P	Philbrick, Jodi	IS COI	A				Bradberry, Stephon	SGA	P
Hutchison, Paul	ACCT COB	P	Ruderman, Richard	PSCI CLASS	A				Greenidge, Giselle	GSA	P
									NON-VOTING SUBSTITUTES (write in name and person subbing for)		

GUESTS: Carol Hargis (Academic Affairs), Patrick Pluscht (CLEAR), Amie Adelman (CVAD), Amy Armstrong (URCM), Terri Day (VPAA), Margaret Vestal (VPAA), Adam Fein (Ofc of President), Clay Simmons (Compliance/Ethics), Christy Crutsinger (VPAA), Kelly Donahue-Wallace (Chairs Council)

I.	Welcome and Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call to order – 2:04PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Welcome newly elected senators!
II.	Approval of Minutes (October 10, 2018) [vote]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to approve the minutes as distributed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Senator Hutcheson moved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Senator Chamberlin seconded ○ Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None ○ Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For – unanimous
III.	Faculty Discussion (President Neal Smatresk / Provost Jennifer Cowley)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate SPOT Scores and Syllabi online <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SPOT Scores <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provost Jennifer Cowley would like to see these posted online ▪ She would like the Faculty Senate to discuss this and come to her with a recommendation ○ Syllabi <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Texas Higher Education Board (THEB) mandates Undergraduate Syllabi be posted online, but not graduate ▪ We would like to post graduate syllabi online because it could be helpful to graduate students and extremely helpful for SACS accreditation ▪ You can have 2 versions of your graduate syllabi, one for students and one for posting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • However, the posted syllabi must still be a good representation of your class ○ Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What has to be public? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undergraduate SPOT Scores and Syllabi have to be public. • We chose to only make the scores public and not the comments • Policy 06.049 has all the requirements • Replacing the Ombuds office with mediators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The mediator program has existed on campus for a while, it was just not used ○ 18 volunteers have now been trained as professional mediators ○ We will not use them as legally binding, we will keep it simpler in the area of dispute resolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We will not use them for big things like Safety, Title IX, harassment, etc. ○ The point of contact for this program is Debbie Rohwer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ She will take all inquiries and assign mediators ○ They will also not be used for garden variety things like salary or for things that normally go to the grievance committee ○ Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None ○ The big thing to take home is that this program is available • Strategic Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ They are all kind of the same ○ When President Neal Smatresk came to UNT, we did not change the plan ○ The current plan was nominally slated to expire in 2018, however, we extended it to 2019 ○ We think it is time to update and reengaged in the process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We want to develop this from the bottom up

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The effort will be headed up by Debbie Rohwer ○ We are also finishing up the brand audit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hopefully the results can be released after this current Board meeting ▪ We will be running a lot of town halls and meetings around this and would really like the involvement of the Faculty Senate • Construction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sack and Save area near I35 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The shopping center is not ours. It is owned by a private developer. We are under a non-disclosure agreement to not discuss it. ▪ We hope to be in control of everything west of Avenue C ▪ We do not want to use eminent domain because that restricts use. We want to buy things outright <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are in negotiations currently ▪ We will be very strategic in how we use the space ○ We are getting kind of “constructioned out” ○ We will “pull our horns in” after this current round is complete <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We do want things to settle down ○ Fouts Field demolition is coming along <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It will add 1100 parking spaces ○ Wooten and Sage Hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ There is concern that the walls are too thin and spaces are very noisy ▪ President Smatresk does not know what exactly can be done, but will talk to Vice President Bob Brown ▪ There might be able to be some sort of sound abatement done <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Smatresk has done this at other universities • It can be expensive ▪ This is not on the current cycle of spending, but the President will look into what can be done
IV.	Introduction of Chief Compliance Officer (Clay Simmons)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He has been here 3.5 months • Was Chief Compliance Officer in Oregon before coming here <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ He has been in the compliance business for a while • He is job is to make sure everyone can do their jobs while remaining compliant • He works closely with the Office of General Council and the Internal Audit office • He is here to help UNT avoid consequences for violations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This includes things that can damage our reputation • He will start out assessing the risks and move out from there with policies, trainings, etc. • He set up a UNT Trust line <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ You can report anything ○ It is totally anonymous through a 3rd party ○ Available 24/7 ○ 877-606-9187 ○ UNT.ethicspoint.com • Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How has the trust line been communicated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It has not yet since it is so new ▪ Marketing will start next year ○ Ice around campus during storms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This is always a problem ▪ He has talked to Risk Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They will be reviewing plans

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Opening Entrances to buildings ○ Accessibility ○ Canceling school ○ Etc. ○ Where does Risk Management fit it to our office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ They are one of the constituents we work closely with
V.	Introduction of Vice President for Digital Strategy and Innovation (Adam Fein)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second week on campus • Comes from the University of Illinois • Really wants UNT to create a world class foundation • CLEAR now has a new meaning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Center for Learning Experimentation, Application, and Research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It is OK to try and fail • He wants to listen and learn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will create a new student advisory board ○ Wants to meet with Deans and key university stakeholders • He is very happy to meet with anyone • He wants to advance our key initiatives • He wants UNT to be a leader <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DFW is huge metroplex ○ There are new pedagogical strategies through Artificial Intelligence ○ We have good resources on campus and will use them ○ He wants us to provide high quality at scale • Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Where do faculty fit in? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ They do and he did not mean to suggest otherwise ▪ He would love to have a good representation of faculty ○ Is the old CLEAR the new CLEAR? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Yes, they will provide the same work as well as innovate forward ▪ There will also be a new Executive Director hired <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This will be a faculty position and will come from within UNT • If you know of anyone who might be interested, talk to them • They would like to fill this as soon as January ○ What about students who are training clinically. There is currently a movement toward tele practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We want to include these students too ○ How to do see CLEAR's roll changing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ They won't change in terms of support ▪ They will really work alongside you ▪ We want clear to be focused on Learning and Research too ○ How do you envision the day to day learning happening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ He hopes to partner with faculty to identify high impact areas ▪ Would really like to recruit faculty to work as research fellows • We did not hire VP Fine to keep up the status quo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The world is changing and we need to keep up ○ The new model is to use teams to create better learning
VI.	Policy Updates (Terri Day / chair)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second Read <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 06.034 – Awarding Posthumous Degrees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Changing the timeline for awarding the degree ▪ Expanding it past the one year mark ▪ Motion to accept the changes coming from committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The substation portion of degree is fuzzy. Who defines this? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It is typically the department ▪ 67% is also a good number ○ Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For – unanimous ○ 06.013 – Conferring Emeritus Status <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Emeritus Faculty can use departmental swing space if available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to accept the changes coming from committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ None ○ Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For – unanimous
VII.	Committee on Committees Update (Denise Catalano)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All committees now have Committee on Committees liaisons • All Elected and Standing committees have chairs • Send all new nominations to Jodi Philbrick or the Faculty Senate email • There is an Open Access Advisory Board <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ They would like faculty to serve on this board ○ Please send in nominations • Faculty Senate has been asked to appoint a representative to the We Mean Green Fund committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This is a new committee to help allocate funds from the Environmental Service Fee ○ Please send nominations • Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None • Standing Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to accept all nominees in red from committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None ▪ Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For – unanimous
VIII.	Executive Committee Update (Denise Catalano)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of Ad-hoc Faculty Grievance Committee member that were not recently elected <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to confirm members from committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None ▪ Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For – unanimous
IX.	University Elections Committee update (Srinivasan Srivilliputhur)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results are in and were distributed • Nominations are now open for Lecturer positions • Once these are filled the Faculty Senate will be full
X.	Other Standing Committee Updates [vote]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UUCC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to accept the minutes as distributed from committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is for Undergraduate Only? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Yes

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For – unanimous ○ This committee is also working on better communication ○ Please send contact information for departmental curriculum committees to Jamie Hefner • Graduate Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to accept the minutes as distributed from committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why is Public Health not requiring the GRE anymore? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (No one is here to answer that) ▪ Secondary Motion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to table this approval until the questions can be addressed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Senator Mehta moved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Senator Olness seconded ○ Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Does the person asking want the question answered before approving? ○ Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For – minority ▪ Against – majority ▪ Abstentions – none ▪ (Primary Motion) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For – majority ○ Against – minority ○ Abstentions – none
XI.	Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
XII.	New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
XIII.	Comments for the Good of the Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 Mini Stevens Piper award nominee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Andrew Torget (History) • EIS Portal will be down over Thanksgiving Break • Climate Survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please take the survey ○ This is the first time UNT has done something like this ○ You are automatically entered to win prizes ○ Find the first official notice sent out and use that link <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It will take you to the faculty version of the survey ○ They will actually use the data ○ Encourage others to take it as well
XIV.	Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjourned – 3:15PM