

This template is provided to assist committee chairs to satisfy the reporting requirements found in Faculty Senate Bylaws, Article III, Section 2. Please note the following applicable provisions:

The Chair of each Faculty Senate Committee shall report at least once each semester to the chair of the Executive Committee regarding the business conducted by the Faculty Senate Committee....

It shall be the responsibility of committee chairs to monitor their committee membership's status and any vacancies (whether occurring by repeated absence, leave of absence, resignation or retirement), and promptly report any occurring vacancies to the Senate leadership.

Email completed reports to faculty senate@unt.edu.

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Report to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Date: 12/8/2025

"x" or circle: X Mid-year report

 End-of-year report

Committee Name: Faculty Research Committee

Chair or Co-Chairs: Dr. Pam Padilla and Dr. Maurizio Manzo

Meetings for the term/year: [insert dates of all meetings to-date, whether electronic or in-person]

 In-person Meeting for Fall 2025 on 10/27/2025

Membership and Attendance (year-to-date attendance record):

These column and row titles may vary based upon the nature of the committee composition. Please highlight names of members missing three or more meetings.

Group Represented, committee office, if applicable	Name	Department or administrative unit affiliation	Term End (if applicable)	Meetings Attended	Meetings Absent / # Excused
Chair	Maurizio Manzo	ME	2027	1	-
Co-chair	Pam Padilla	VPR	NA	1	-
Group I	Newly Paul	JOUR	2027		1
Group II	John Peters	ENGL	2028		1
Group III	Maurizio Manzo	ME	2027	1	-
Group IV	Margie Tieslau	ECON	2027	-	1
Group V	Manjula Salimath	MGMT	2027	1	-
Group VI	Vacant			-	-
Group VII	Brian Ayre	BIOL	2026	1	-
Group VIII	Jamey Kelley	MUED	2026	1	-
At-large EC	Priyali Rajagopal	MKTG	2027	-	1
At-large EC	Jim Meernik	PSCI	2027	-	1
At-large EC	Ronnie Jia	ITDS	2028	-	1

(Add lines as needed)

Do any membership positions need to be replaced at this time due to non-attendance or a leave of members? If so, which positions? (This assumes proper notice was provided per the Procedures Manual; example correspondence and explanation of notice may be found in the [Committee Chair Tool Kit](#).)

No replacements needed at this time.

The Executive Committee establishes charges for each standing committee and may amend them as needed; alternatively, the standing committee may propose amended charges, composition, etc., by making a written proposal and sending to the Faculty Senate office facultysenate@unt.edu.) Do your committee charges remain relevant? If not, what changes to the charges do you propose?

Yes, the charges remain relevant. The committee will assess UNT's research strategic plans in light of the President Strategic plan presented in Fall 25.

Accomplishments (including items submitted for review or approval to the Executive Committee or Faculty Senate): [bulleted list or narrative]

- *Discussed UNT's research centers and institutes in alignment with Policy 06.046 and annual performance metrics.*
- *Discussed UNT's successful achievement of TUF Level 1 research expenditure requirements and the submission of the official state report.*
- *Discussed updates on the Research Strategic Plan and upcoming dashboards for expenditures and commercialization.*
- *Discussed impacts of federal funding issues, including delayed reimbursements and emerging reduced IDC rates.*
- *Reviewed status updates on planning for the new Science & Technology Research Building, including space needs and interdisciplinary research priorities.*

Ongoing/future projects: [bulleted list or narrative]

- *Monitor state confirmation of UNT's TUF Level 1 designation and implications for future research support.*
- *Follow the release of research dashboards and integrate them into committee planning.*
- *Track federal funding and IDC policy changes and assess their impact on UNT's research enterprise.*
- *Continue engagement in planning and coordination for the SciTech Research Building and interdisciplinary collaboration.*
- *Review committee responsibilities relative to policy and develop strategies to support underfunded disciplines.*
- *Follow progress on technology commercialization and licensing initiatives.*