

Meeting: Faculty Senate  
 Date: February 7, 2012  
 Time: 2:05 p.m.  
 Location: BA 290  
 Adjournment: 2:40 p.m.

# Minutes

Members present: Wilson, Harp, Choi, Starnes, Creider, Fish, Alexander, Dang, Kuracina, Anderson D, Anderson S, Odom, Ballotti, Druhan, Bertulani, King, Pierce, Wiecko, Hendricks (President), Hammack (Secretary)

Issue/Topic	Summary of Discussion	Decision/Action
<p>Motion to Approve Minutes</p> <p><b>Communication:</b></p> <p>Senate President LaVelle Hendricks</p>	<p>December 2011 minutes were approved.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. System search committee interviewed two candidates for Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. President Jones and Dr. Hendricks are committee members.</li> <li>2. Get to know your colleagues through the faculty profiles on Senate web site. Send names to Dr. Hendricks for future faculty profiles.</li> <li>3. Dr. Hendricks encouraged senate members to consider visiting retired faculty members in area nursing homes.</li> </ol>	<p>Moved by John Ballotti. Seconded. Motion passed.</p>
<p><b>Committee Reports</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Academic Life Committee:</b> Senator Dang reported Senator Faulkenberry's interest in establishing a Women's Center to focus on issues such as tenure &amp; promotion, female health issues, and violence. Send your ideas and comments to Dr. Faulkenberry.</li> <li>2. <b>Budget Committee</b> meets Wednesday 8 February.</li> <li>3. <b>Curriculum Committee:</b> Senator Odom reported curriculum changes are about finished for this cycle.</li> <li>4. <b>Awards Committee</b> reported the time for sending in nominations is approaching.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>Unfinished Business</b></p>	<p>E-mail Dr. Hendricks your nominations for Faculty Senate awards.</p>	

<b>New Business</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Dr. Hendricks urged everyone to attend the meeting February 13 at 2:00 p.m. in Binnion 214 concerning our International students' progress.</li><li>2. Senator Ballotti reminded us of the Regent's Professor Convocation April 19<sup>th</sup> for Dr. RN Singh at 11:00 a.m.</li><li>3. How are our academic searches progressing?</li><li>4. Nursing program fast-tracked to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in April. They expect 10 -12 students to enter fall 2012.</li><li>5. Recent power outage in library found a need for an evacuation chair for individuals needing physical assistance.</li><li>6. A question was raised concerning the e-mail from Disability Services for faculty members' written transcripts of video &amp; audio eCollege course materials.</li></ol>	
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