



FACULTY SENATE

Agenda for Tuesday, May 5, 2020

- Minutes Approval (7 April 2020)
- Provost's Presentation
- Reports
- New Business
- Announcements







Minutes Approval





Provost's Presentation



PRESENTATION OUTLINE PROVOST G. ALLEN RASMUSSEN

- SACSCOC 5th year report for reaffirmation
- Strategic Plan
- NASH faculty development (ACUE)



REPORTS FROM FACULTY SENATE OFFICERS FACULTY SENATE SECRETARY CHRISTINE RADCLIFF

University Emergency Management Team

- Over 300 students are taking advantage of the free lunch program
- Virtual Commencement and graduation week events
- As of April 23rd there were still 216 students in the dorms

Provost Search Committee

- As of last week President Hussey conducted video interviews with 4 finalists.
 He intends to invite no fewer than 2 and perhaps all 4 candidates to campus.
- He is hopeful we will be able to conduct on-campus interviews beginning the first week of June.



REPORTS FROM FACULTY SENATE OFFICERS FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT ARI SHERRIS

- Master Plan Search Committee
 - Cancelled because of COVID-19 (Ari Sherris)
- Academic Advisory Council
 - 5 May-- 2pm meeting (Ari Sherris)
- OIR SPRING 2020 ENROLLMENT UPDATE
- Faculty Senators from EC & CEHP Attended CEHP Dean Search Shortlisted Finalist Meetings (Ari Sherris & Kathleen Rees)
- Faculty Senate Website Update (Ari Sherris)

- Will there be facilities on campus for student, faculty and staff to be tested for COVID-19, contact traced for COVID-19, and monitored for changes in body temperature, and--in the case of students--quarantined if the need arises?
- How will students who come from the states mentioned in Governor Abbot's executive order (27 April) be quarantined upon arrival and where on campus? How will their quarantine be monitored and by what group or whom?
- Are local hospitals and local pharmacies being notified that a student body of approximately 6,000 students will be returning to campus? Is the university seeking answers from these facilities about how to acquire thermometers, disposable gloves, masks, and hand sanitizer when few pharmacies and area hospitals have them for sale?
- Will faculty, staff, and students over the age of 65, with or without underlying conditions, be strongly encouraged to work/study from home, as a recent (27 April) executive order from Gov. Abbott states and will this not be held against them in any annual or post-tenure review or course grade?
- Will the university provide masks, disposable gloves, and marked floors in corridors for pacing/controlling movement, as well as exit and entry into buildings, particularly important during change of face-to-face classes when corridors become crowded?
- Will all meetings continue to be online rather than face to face to minimize contact?
- Will any faculty, staff or student who does not want to put themselves at risk be able to work/study online?



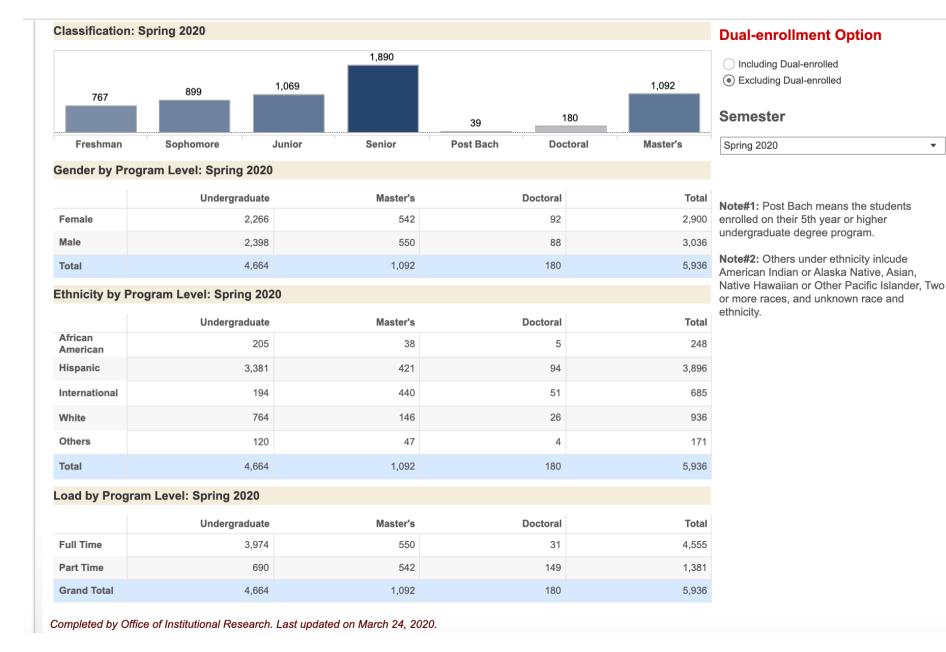
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Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

- https://taxfoundation.org/federal-coronavirus-relief-bill-cares-act/
- https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2020/04/10/listing-funds-each-college-can-expect-receive-under-federal-stimulus
- https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2020/04/10/feds-begin-distributing-emergency-grants-students-affected-campus-closures
- TAMUK Total Allocation: \$7,087,427 USD
- TAMUK Minimum Allocation to be awarded for emergency financial aid grants to students: \$3,543,714 USD



OIR Spring 2020
Student
Enrollment
Excluding
Dual-enrollment:
Grand Total:
5,936 students





FACULTY SENATORS FROM THE FS EC & CEHP ATTENDED FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT ARI SHERRIS

• Wk 2 (14 Apr - 20 Apr 2020)

College of Education & Human Performance Dean Search Campus Interviews

• Friday, 04/17/2020: Dr. Ken Alford

• Tuesday, 04/21/2020: Dr. Steve Bain

• Wednesday, 4/22/2020: Dr. Emiliano Gonzalez



FACULTY SENATE WEBSITE UPDATES FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT ARI SHERRIS

http://www.tamuk.edu/senate/motions-resolutions.html

Motions

- 02.03.09.2 Committee Regarding Annual Evaluation of Faculty Rule
- 02.03.09.3 Committee Regarding Promotion and Tenure
- 03.03.09.1 Pay Increase for Adjunct Teaching
- 05.05.09.1 Annual Faculty Lecturer Honorarium
- 05.05.09.2 President and Provost to Meet with Each Department
- 10.06.09.2 Faculty Senate's appreciation for President Tallant's
- 04.07.2020.1 FS Decisions are only made by the Faculty Senate
- 04.07.2020.1a Motion to Constitutional Amendment
- 04.07.2020.2 Changing Faculty Handbook Follows Constitutional Process
- 04.07.2020.3 Written Documentation of COVID-19 Request
- 04.17.2020.1 Digital Signature Page For Thesis and Dissertations



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http://www.tamuk.edu/senate/digital-senate-meetings.html

Digital Faculty Senate Meetings

April 2020 Faculty Senate Slate and Motions Passed

Emergency FS Executive Committee Meeting 25 March 2020

Emergency Faculty Senate Meeting 26 March 2020

Faculty Senate Meeting 7 April 2020



COVID-19 EMERGENCY GRADE POLICY Senator Jeffrey Glick

- Frequently Asked Questions on grading policy (see https://www.tamuk.edu/coronavirus/index.html and https://www.tamuk.edu/coronavirus/FAQ.html) is an evolving resource.
- Students and faculty can ask questions directly by emailing javelinahelp@tamuk.edu\
- If the faculty senate would like additional questions answered, or would like to see the answers revised or clarified, Jeff Glick can serve as the intermediary between FS, the Provost's office, and MarComm



Committee on Committees Report Senator Amber Shipherd, Chair

- Elected chair Amber Shipherd, College of Education & Human Performance
- Contacted current (2019-2020 AY) committee members on committees reporting to the senate to determine which committee seats will need to be filled beginning fall 2020



Elections Committee Report Senate Secretary Christine Radcliff, Chair

- First Month(7 April-4 May)
 - Chair Elected: Christine Radcliff



Resolutions & Bylaws Committee Report Senator Rudolf Bohm, Chair

First Month(7 April-4 May)

- Selected Rudolf Bohm as Chair of RBLC
- Initiated discussion on resolution to restrict individuals speaking on behalf of Faculty Senate with a few points being key
 - The administration should not use this as a means to bypass consideration of key changes that are circumscribed as responsibility of the Faculty Senate
 - Executives and executive committee should not be led into making decisions that require the consent of the Faculty Senate body.



REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE FS ADMINISTRATOR EVALUATION COMMITTEE Senator Christine Radcliff, Chair

- The survey was distributed April 1-15, 2020
- Number of faculty recipient: 368?
- 672/4698 surveys were completed
- The completion rate was 14%



Committee Reports

- Annual Faculty Lecture Committee
- Piper Award Committee
- Faculty Evaluation Committee
- Handbook Committee Taskforce



REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE FS POLICY REVISION COMMITTEE Kathleen Rees

 Committee charged with review of proposed changes to Academic Operating Procedure 1: Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure

Initial meeting on Thursday, April 30, 2020

 Committee report in preparation for submission to Faculty Senate



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Three motions presented and approved by the committee:

- Motion to change AOP1: As per AOP1 Section 4: REVIEW BY FACULTY PEERS IN APPEALS OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS: As part of the regular committee appointment cycle, the Faculty Senate will designate a pool of thirty (30) tenured faculty members with representatives from each of the colleges. This replaces the pool number of 24.
- Motion: Hearing committee letter goes to the President with a courtesy copy to the Provost.
- Motion: It is currently not recommended to make any other additional proposed revisions to AOP1.



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Additional request from the committee:

 That proposed changes to Academic Operating Procedure 1: Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure sent to the committee for review be shared with Faculty Senators

 This request is forwarded to Faculty Senate leadership for electronic distribution to the Senate membership



New Business (Senators Jieming Chen & Kelly Hall, respectively)

Motions

 that a senate ad-hoc committee be appointed to study workload differences and similarities between TAMUK and similar institutions in terms of university size and Carnegie research classification.

• that a senate ad-hoc committee be appointed to investigate the differences and similarities between TAMUK and similar institutions in terms of administrative size (e.g., number, ratio, salary).





ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please email all motions and resolutions to <u>FacultySenateOfficers@tamuk.edu</u> no later than Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 5:00 pm CDT if you would like the Executive Committee to add them to the Tuesday, August 25, 2020 Faculty Senate Agenda.
- Our Fall 2020 Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 1, 2020 from 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm and it will be online.
- Senators may raise motions and resolutions from the floor rather than submit them to the EC, but should have them ready in writing as in the format on earlier slides for this meeting to save time.





ADJOURNMENT