

Minutes
Faculty Assembly Executive Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 4, 2016
FH 115, 3:30 pm

I. Call to order

Joseph Velasco called the meeting to order at 3:36 pm.

Present: Theron Francis, Eric Funasaki, Kathy Stein, Joseph Velasco, and Scott Wassermann.

Absent: Bonnie Warnock and Mazie Will.

II. Approval of Minutes (9/6/2016)

Kathy Stein moved to approve the minutes from September 6 and Scott Wassermann seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. President's report

A. QEP

The QEP committee is trying to solidify its theme and how to put it into practice. One issue is how to improve instruction at Sul Ross to make students more marketable. Another issue is how to improve the writing and communication skills of students.

B. Mission and Vision Statements

A subcommittee of the Strategic Planning committee, led by Joseph Velasco, is currently revising the mission and vision statements for Sul Ross. The subcommittee should have revised mission and vision statements by the end of the month. Send any suggestions or comments to Joseph Velasco.

C. Budget Oversight

The committee met for the first time this year: Chris Ritzi was elected chair, priorities for the year were set, and an agenda was constructed. The committee plans to meet 3 to 4 times this year.

D. Student Grievance Policy

Dr. Case will be working with the faculty on revising this policy for SACS purposes.

E. Texas Council of Faculty Senates/TSUS Faculty Senate

Joseph Velasco will be attending both of these meetings on October 28 and 29 in Austin. He highlighted some of the events that will be occurring at these meetings including a screening and discussion of the film "Starving the Beast: The Battle to Disrupt and Reform America's Public Universities." He also encouraged members of the Executive Council to attend these meetings with him in the future.

IV. Vice-President's report

Kathy Stein has provided SGA with a list of committees and councils that can have student representatives as SGA will need to provide these student representatives.

V. Secretary/Treasurer's report

A. Posting Faculty Assembly and Executive Council minutes online

The library server is being moved to a SharePoint site. Thus, the library will no longer be posting Faculty Assembly and Executive Council minutes. It was suggested that Mark Rubin be asked to post Faculty Assembly and Executive Council minutes since he is in charge of the Faculty Assembly website.

VI. Parliamentarian's report

VII. Old business

VIII. New business

A. Baseline Salary Regulations

Kathy Stein mentioned that Sul Ross is not in compliance with baseline salary regulations. Joseph Velasco will talk to Dr. Case about this.

IX. Announcements

X. Adjourn

Scott Wassermann moved to adjourn and Theron Francis seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:04 pm.