Faculty Senate Minutes  
Wednesday, October 7, 2015  
JCK 880 Room, 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Attending  
**Senators:** Augustine Agwuele, Rebecca Bell-Metereau, Scott Bowman, Michel Conroy, Barbara Covington, Dana Garcia, Ju Long, Lynn Ledbetter, Audrey McKinney, Shirley Ogletree, Emily Payne, Jovita Ross-Gordon, Vedaraman Sriraman, Susan Weill, Alex White  
**Faculty Senate Fellow:** Andrew Marks  
**Administrators:** President Trauth, Provost Bourgeois, Associate Provost Opheim  
**Guests:** Faculty Senate liaison Selene Hinojosa (Library); University Star reporters Darcy Sprague and Clayton Kelley

Meeting called to order at 4 p.m. by Senate Chair Conroy

**PRESIDENT'S ACADEMIC ADVISORY GROUP (PAAG)**  
- Modern States Education Alliance  
  - In light of possible misconceptions about this partnership, it was agreed that a Q&A webpage be dedicated to this program.  
- Green fee information request  
  - Positive reaction to encouraging more publicity based on current sustainability initiatives at Texas State, such as recycling at football games  
  - There is ongoing discussion regarding tuition and fees, including the current $1.00 Green Fee  
- Jefferson Davis Memorial Hwy. marker inquiry  
  - Juan Guerra, Head of Facilities at Texas State, has written to TXDOT District Engineer to begin a dialogue concerning the possible removal of this marker  
  - The marker is currently on Texas State property that is part of the TXDOT right of way.

- Request for PPS/UPPS search feature  
  - This is feasible and should be implemented by Spring 2016  
- Round Rock Counseling Center  
  - There is now a full time experienced counselor at the Round Rock campus on Wednesdays and Fridays

**Joint meeting agenda items**  
- Senate Liaisons, October 14, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Alkek 105  
  - Discussion about Campus Carry being the main agenda item, with a presentation by Chair Conroy followed by smaller group dialogues  
- Council of Academic Deans and Council of Chairs, October 21, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Flowers Hall 230  
  - Preparing for campus carry within individual departments  
  - NLF merit policies with a view toward highlighting best practices across campus

**VPIT Kenneth Pierce**  
- Update on telephone messaging system  
  - Call Pilot (current) will be moving to Microsoft Messaging soon  
- ACC New software for videotaping classes  
  - Work continues to solve issues with downloadable software for videotaping of classes  
- Ability of different systems to speak to each other  
  - Discussion of lack of interfacing between SS Banner and SAP systems  
- Timeline for new Windows and Mac software updates
- Work is in progress to test these OS updates for incompatibilities with current software programs
  - Discussion of new priorities including
    - Dealing with network infrastructure issues on campus and residential
    - Need to streamline amount of paper being generated
    - Electronic signatures
    - Assisting with issues regarding library system upgrades and new repository

Approval of September 30 meeting minutes

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

~Minutes submitted by Lynn Ledbetter