**Faculty Senate Minutes**

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

JCK 880, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Attending** **Senators**: Rebecca Bell-Metereau, Natalie Ceballos, Rachel Davenport, Jesse Gainer, Lyn Litchke, Vince Luizzi, Benjamin Martin, Stan McClellan, David Nolan, Michael Supancic, Diego Vacaflores, Nicole Wesley.

**Guests**: Lisa Lloyd (vice president for University Administration), Chief Laurie Clouse (director, University Police Department), Stephanie Towery (Library), Shannon Duffy (Senate Fellow), Marcos Palacios.

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Senate Vice Chair Ceballos

**Campus Security Authorities (CSAs)**

Lisa Lloyd, vice president for University Administration, and Chief Laurie Clouse, director University Police Department, discussed recent issues concerning compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Statistics Act (Clery Act), Campus Security Authorities (CSAs), and the impact on faculty.

Both discussed who is and is not responsible as a CSA. Texas State CSAs have been identified and are undergoing training. There is a requirement for faculty/staff accompanying student groups or study abroad/study in America to be CSAs and receive the requisite training. CSA training is [online](https://www.hr.txstate.edu/odc/course-offerings/courses/csa), however, the in-person training is considered to be more thorough. Training is required for all CSAs and is must be accomplished every year. Ms. Kristina E. Morales has been hired as the new Clery Act Compliance Specialist.

Senators discussed the reporting requirements and responsibilities of CSAs. If faculty are not sure if they are a CSA they can contact Chief Clouse for now and eventually the new Clery official. The administration is working on Title IX and Clery Act clarification concerning who reports and the crossover between the two requirements.

**Gender Neutral Language in University Policies**

Senators discussed the inclusion of gender-neutral language in university policies. Research into current policies has identified specific instances where the language should be changed to comply with [university guidelines](https://brand.txstate.edu/editorial-style-guide.html) concerning gender-neutral language. Senators discussed the issue and suggested that Dr. Lisa Garza, director of University Planning and Assessment, be invited to a future senate meeting to discuss senate concerns.

**President’s Academic Advisory Group (PAAG) Items**

Senators identified several items for the February 18, 2020, PAAG agenda to discuss with the administration:

* National College Health Assessment data/report.
* Vice president for Student Affairs search.
* Response to [Chronicle of Higher Education](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.chronicle.com%2Farticle%2FWhen-the-Culture-War-Comes-to%2F248016%3Fkey%3D6GN5vbBTWeO_wOewtnTLTtUPVP-vMc2s6ddnpGFShlC614HfRYgPtTGG5NjVlGkCSVMtc0dxVVNYbVV3TGZCYmM4eUkzcHdqYTJ0dnYxaTVHdzNyU2NwUHJmWQ%26fbclid%3DIwAR3-Z19RAd2dc-Kg-QWAShyrWOwFthECCrSL2FoH6UEsbsXJUbyJfoHAp54&data=02%7C01%7Cdnolan%40txstate.edu%7Cc77a5474d4f84e4d4ae708d7b3efbff7%7Cb19c134a14c94d4caf65c420f94c8cbb%7C0%7C0%7C637175715038929157&sdata=QgBmjlJcAfX0g76lASMPpV9YQXYmVzB3tmtfmLxgvhM%3D&reserved=0) article.

**Inclusion and Diversity Action Plan to Build Capacity Goal Discussion**

Senators discussed Goal 1 of the [Inclusion and Diversity Action Plan to Build Capacity](https://inclusion.txstate.edu/updates-and-initiatives/campus-climate-capacity). Discussion focused on the sincerity and authenticity of the goals. Senators felt that the goals read like a public relations plan that seem disconnected from the real need to build trust and respect within the university community. Senators suggested making the plan a living document with active links and current information, and less like a checklist. Senator Martin, a Council on Inclusive Excellence Inclusion member, will convey these concerns to the council.

**National College Health Assessment Discussion**

Senators discussed the National College Health Assessment presentation by Dr. Emilio Carranco, director, Student Health Center, from February 5. Senators discussed recommendations for potential members on a task force being formed by Dr. Carranco to address the issues identified in the assessment. Senators also discussed who might be a possible faculty co-chair on the task force. A faculty member was also identified as a potential source for analysis of the assessment data.

**Dean of McCoy College Search**

Senators were encouraged to participate in the upcoming search for the Dean of the McCoy College of Business Administration. Senators will be able to ask questions of potential candidates during the interview process. Senators discussed and finalized the questions for candidates.

**University Ombudsman Selection Committee**

Senators finalized the list of potential faculty members to serve on the committee to select the next university ombudsman. The senate chair will submit the names of the faculty to Dr. Thorne. Senators also discussed recommendations for potential faculty members to apply for the position.

**Policy Review**

Assignment of senators to review specific University and Academic Affairs policies:

* [UPPS 08.01.06 Student Recreation Center](https://policies.txstate.edu/university-policies/08-01-06.html). Due February 13, 2020. Senator Litchke
* [UPPS 04.01.06 University Websites](https://policies.txstate.edu/university-policies/04-01-06.html). Due February 14, 2020. Senator Bell-Metereau
* UPPS 07.08.05 Student Information System Access Privileges. Due February 21. Senator Wesley.

**Approval of Minutes**

The February 5, 2020 meeting minutes were approved by senators.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by David Nolan