



Health Science Center

FACULTY SENATE
Virtual Meeting by Zoom
October 10, 2020 4:00 PM CST/5:00 PM EST
Monthly Business Meeting

Attendance: 79 (senators, administration, and guests)

Attending: D. Leber, T. Pourmotabbed, J. Staack, R. Smith, S. Clark, E. Murray, T. Cory, M. Donaldson, Werner, A. Queseenberry, E. McCoy, P. Richey, H. Steinberg, T. Wilson, R. Pickens, A. Williams, H. Moss, A. Orucevic, Y. Zhang, L. Reed, S. Lancaster, K. Strahan, T. Cooper, C., Sanders, H. Jasmin, A. Hill, K. Derefinko, S. White-Means, N. Mandal, R. Narayanan, W. Dabbs, K. Hevener, C. Spivey, M. Erickson, V. Joshi, L. Enomoto, T. Ishrat, P. Koltonw, Shaunta L. Wu, N. Zite, S. Li, M. Meekins R. Clark, M. Taylor, S. Chamberlin, R. Krishnan, C. Madlock, J. Venturin, I. Dragatsis, R. Philip, R. Zeng, M. Lackey, J. Jiang, K. Bettin, M. Herr, W. Sun, N. Shafi, T., Jancelewicz, J. Bieber, A. Zachry, M. Davis, K. Torgbe, T. McClinton, M. Carrillo, F. Park, E. Reese, D. DiAngelo, J. McCarthy, S. Doettl, S. Little, W. T. Williams, M. Clark, C. Russell, L. Gonzalez, four cell phone attendees

Meeting called to order at 4:01 pm cst/5:01 pm est

Dr. Smith opened the floor for discussion of the Septebmer 2020 Full Faculty Senate minutes, following no discussion, Dr. Cooper made a motion to accept the minutes as written, and was second by Dr. Richey.

- 100% in favor to pass the minutes as written (42 senators logging a vote via Zoom Poll)

New Business/Speaker:

- Dr. Smith introduced Dennis Leber, CISO at UTHSC.
 - Mr. Leber shared information regarding the cybersecurity measures currently in place UTHSC campuses.
 - Specifically, how the National institute of Standards and Technology Cybersecurity framework, a 5 step process, is used to prevent and address cyber security attacks/issues.
 - Identify, Protect, Respond, Recover, and Awareness
 - The Office of Cybersecurity does significant training and promoting awareness, as they feel that this is a significant element in protecting the university as a whole. The office collaborates with several different entities, including but not limited to the FBI and local police, to identify and protect the university system's overall cyber network/workings.
 - It was stressed that cybersecurity is everyone's job at the university. The university has noted up to 3 million attempts to attack the university's system in a one hour timeframe. If a faculty member suspects an email is a "phishing" attempt, they are encouraged to send it to: abuse@uthsc.edu. The Cybersecurity Office will follow up on the email/information.
 - The IT department, including Cybersecurity, issues an opt-in daily alert that provides information regarding trends of threats related to the

university. If faculty are interested in receiving information about or opting into receiving the daily update, please email Dennis at dleber@uthsc.edu.

- If any faculty senator, or faculty member, is interested in learning more about cybersecurity or has any questions, please contact the Dennis or anyone on his 7 person team at <http://uthsc.edu/its/cybersecurity>.

Committee Updates:

- *Faculty Affairs:*
 - Met in September (9/24/2020). The committee is working on finalizing the Upward Evaluations. The committee hopes to have the evaluations distributed to faculty by the end of October or the first part of November.
 - The committee is working with the all of the Deans to have faculty complete the evaluations. Additionally, senators should encourage their colleagues in their departments and colleges to please participate in the evaluation process.
 - Previous years' participation has been low. Committee is hoping that participation will increase this year.
- *Handbook:*
 - The Handbook Committee has worked throughout the summer on the Termination Process chapter of the handbook. The edits have recently been submitted to the FSEC for review. Following that review, the documents will be shared with Vice Chancellor Gonzalez's office. The chapter will hopefully be open for full senate review in the coming months
- *Communications:*
 - Met in the first week of October. Committee is looking at how to improve the senate's communication with the entire university. Will be meeting again in November.
- *Computing and Technology:*
 - Reviewed the op-in newsletter IT has developed.
 - The IT Department has stressed that they would like all faculty to use Microsoft Office 365, specifically OneDrive for all cloud storage/sharing of documents. Additionally, IT would like senators to encourage their faculty to utilize either Teams or Zoom for all meetings.
 - IT will be implementing a virtual desktop system (VPN) in November. Thus, faculty will be able to access information from anywhere using a fully secured system.
 - If faculty are in needs of microphones or cameras for fulfilling remote learning needs, please contact Tom at the TLC.
 - TLC will be joining the faculty senate meeting in January, 2021, to discuss the move to Blackboard Ultra.

New Announcements:

- All senators are strongly encouraged to reach out to the faculty in their departments/colleges and encourage them to complete the Upward Evaluations starting in November.
- *Next Faculty Senate Meeting will be on November 10, 2020 4:00 pm cst*

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 4:47 pm cst/5:47pm est.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Faculty Senate Secretary