

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO
DOCUMENTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRADUATE COUNCIL
ACTION MINUTES

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Location 4/5/2022 3:30-5:00
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I. Call to order and taking of attendance

- Present: Alfonso Apicella, Ambika Mathur, Arkangel Cordero, Andrea Aleman, Corey Sparks, Elaine Sanders, Glenn Dietrich, Guadalupe Carmona, Heather Trepal, Hung-Da Wan, James McDonald, Juan Manuel Nino, Judy Haschenburger, Jurgen Engelberth, Kenneth Walker, Matthew Troia, Megan Augustyn, Michael Baumann, Michael Cepek, Nicolas Large, Ovidio Giberga, Patricia Jaramillo, Ram Tripathi, Richard J Harris, Samer Dessouky, Stephanie Westney, Terrance Hill, Victor Villarreal, Wei-Ming Lin, William Land, Zachary Tonzetich, Stephanie Westney
- Absent: Jorge Solis, Natasha Burns, Xiaoyin Wang, Amina Qutub, Angela Lombardi
- Visitor: Sidury Christiansen, Chad Mahood, Nancy Membrez, Rob Tillyer, Jeffrey Ragsdale, Jake Sullivan, Ginger Hernandez
- Excused: Melissa Wallace

II. Consent Agenda

- March 2022 minutes approved with no discussion
- Special Membership approved with no discussion

III. Reports

A. Committee on Graduate Programs and Courses

- No report

B. Council Chair

- Faculty Senate Update
 - Faculty Senate resolution regarding academic freedom will be discussed at the upcoming Faculty Senate meeting (April 7, 2022)
 - Faculty Senate members have access to the resolution via the senate SharePoint for review; visit with your Faculty Senator if you would like to review the resolution.

C. Dean of Graduate School

- Graduate School Student Appreciation Week update, including announcement of upcoming awards ceremony (faculty and students are encouraged to attend)
- Upcoming announcement regarding \$3,000 incentive for PhDs awarded (students graduating) soon, beginning in the summer semester; announcement will be forwarded to eligible students soon

D. Secretary

- Election results for the 2022-2023 Graduate Council Executive Committee:
 - Chair: Corey Sparks
 - Secretary: Victor Villarreal
 - Parliamentarian: Elaine Sanders
 - At-Large: Terrence Hill

- Departments should forward results of elections for Graduate Council representatives for 2022-2024 to Victor Villarreal or Jake Sullivan

E. Committee on Graduate Program Evaluation

- No report

IV. Unfinished Business

- Discussion regarding the proposal to align timing of Graduate Catalog and Undergraduate Catalog revisions
 - 84% of polled Graduate Council members opposed the suggested change; 11% supported the suggested change; 3% abstained from the vote.
 - The Chair of the Graduate Council and other member of the Executive Committee (if available) will visit with Eric Cooper for further discussion next week.
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V. New Business

- Graduate Council members are encouraged to complete evaluation surveys for the Dean of the Graduate School
- At the May 2022 meeting, the Graduate Council will vote to allow for electronic voting during the summer.

VI. Adjournment