ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. Call to order and taking of attendance
   - Present: Alfonso Apicella, Arkangel Cordero, Corey Sparks, Elaine Sanders, Glenn Dietrich, Guadalupe Carmona, Heather Trepal, Hung-Da Wan, Solis, Juan Manuel Nino, Jurgen Engelberth, Matthew Troia, Megan Augustyn, Melissa Wallace, Michael Baumann, Michael Cepek, Nicolas Large, Ovidio Giberga, Patricia Jaramillo, Ram Tripathi, Richard J Harris, Shamshad Khan, Terrance Hill, Victor Villarreal, Wei-Ming Lin, William Land, Zachary Tonzetich
   - Absent: Zijun Wang, Samer Dessouky, Amina Qutub, Jamie McDonald, Kenneth Walker, Drew Stephan, Andrea Aleman, Xiaoyin Wang, Saugata Datta
   - Visitor: Araceli Ortiz, Eric Brey, Esteban Urena-Benavides, Ginger Hernandez, Jake Sullivan, Anson Ong, Chad Mahood, Eric Brey, Jose Lopez-Ribot, Juan Manuel Sanchez, Stephanie Westney, Jeff Ragsdale, Rebecca Weston
   - Excused: Angela Lombardi

II. Consent Agenda
   - December 2021 minutes approved with no discussion
   - Special Membership approved with no discussion

III. Reports

   A. Committee on Graduate Programs and Courses
      - MS in Engineering Education
         - Araceli Ortiz provided an overview of the program (the proposal was previously sent to members of the Graduate Council for review)
         - Committee made the recommendation to approve the proposal
         - Graduate Council members voted to approve the program
      - PhD in Chemical Engineering
         - Eric Brey, Esteban Urena-Benavides, and Abelardo Ramirez provided an overview of the program (the proposal was previously sent to member of the Graduate Council for review) and indicated support for the program
         - Committee made the recommendation to approve the proposal
         - Graduate Council members voted to approve the program
      - Certificate in Technology for Language Education will be reviewed at the next Graduate Council meeting

   B. Council Chair
      - No report from the Council Chair on behalf of the Executive Committee
      - Faculty Senate updates
         - Resolution regarding NRUF was on the consent agenda for the next Faculty Senate meeting and was approved
Discussion regarding faculty salary and transparency in salary increases and merit raises
  ▪ Faculty Senate approved a memorandum regarding faculty compensation and transparency (posted on the Graduate Council Teams website for review by Graduate Council members)

Discussion regarding revision to faculty code of ethics (approved in 2015 by the Faculty Senate) and whether or not to develop a faculty code of conduct; no decision has been made about whether a revision and or new code will be completed

Discussion regarding merger with the Southwest School of Arts; questions regarding the merger should be addressed to Jurgen Engelberth

C. Dean of Graduate School
   • Rebecca Weston provided the Dean's update
   • Shared the website and announcement for calls for nominations for various Graduate School Awards
   • https://graduateschool.utsa.edu/current-students/promoting-excellence/

D. Secretary
   • Seeking nominees for Graduate Council Executive Committee positions for Fall 2022
     o Chair, Secretary, Parliamentarian, two At-Large Position, and Student Representative
     o Election should be complete by the April 2022 Graduate Council meeting
     o Position descriptions are in the Bylaws of the Graduate Council (https://graduateschool.utsa.edu/images/uploads/Bylaws.pdf)
   • Each Department should hold elections to determine Graduate Council Representatives for 2022-2023
     o Elections should be complete by the April 2022 Graduate Council meeting

E. Committee on Graduate Program Evaluation
   • Chemistry, Physics & Astronomy, and Earth & Planetary Science under review this semester

IV. Unfinished Business

V. New Business

VI. Adjournment