

UHD

Faculty Senate

Minutes recorded by: Trevor S. Hale

Date and Time: March 3, 2015 2:30 PM

Room Number: A300

Attendance: Susan Henney (President), Ryan Pepper (President-Elect) Trevor Hale (Past-President/Secretary), Kirk Hagen, Susan Baker, Jillian Hill, Jane Creighton, Plamen Simeonov, Rachna Sadana, Ruth Johnson, Claude Rubinson, Steven Coy, Angela Lopez Pedrana, Sam Penkar, Charles Smith, Dvijesh Shastri, Bernardo Pohl

Guests: Carol Manousos, Pat Ensor, Robert Jarrett, Lisa Berry, Karen Kaser, Chris McCall, Dagmar Scharold, Mary Torres, Ed Hugetz, David Bradley, Jose Alvarez

Regrets: N/A

Absent: Pat Williams, Cindy Stewart, Jonathan Davis, Kendra Mhoon, Judith Quander, Maria Benavides, Utpal Bose, Steve Zhou, Hsiao-Ming Wang, Katharine Jager

Call to Order: 2:35 PM

Meeting minutes: Motion made and seconded to accept the February 21 Faculty Senate Meeting. Motion carries unanimously.

Review of previous action items: N/A

Meeting Proceedings:

Announcements:

1. Writing Center Director, Dagmar Scharold, gave a brief synopsis of upcoming Writing Center Workshops.
2. Faculty Senate Past President, Trevor Hale, gave a brief synopsis of the Texas Council of Faculty Senates meeting in Austin. Some highlights include:
 - a. The UH System contingent included UHD Faculty Senate Past President, Trevor Hale, UH Faculty Senate President, Wynne Chin, UH Faculty Senate President-elect, Jonathan Snow, UHV Faculty Senate Past President Ron Salazar, UHCL Faculty Senate President, Chris Ward, and UHCL Faculty Senate President-elect, Jana Willis.
 - b. A "Thank You!" to UH Faculty Senate President, Wynne Chin, for hosting the "UH-System Wine Tasting Party" on Friday night in his suite. With the help of a few Faculty Senators from Texas A&M (Jim Woosley and John Coopersmith), the UH System faculty drafted a resolution (more on that below in section "f") that passed unanimously during the TCFS business meeting on Saturday.

- c. Texas Tribune Editor (and co-founder) Ross Ramsey made a presentation and articulated about what goes on during the legislature's 140 days every two years.
- d. A panel on collegiality and bullying the academy was informative and to the point as was the history of the AAUP presentation by Peter Hugill.
- e. The keynote speaker on Friday was State Representative Tom Clardy (District 11 - Nacogdoches). He sits on the Higher Education Committee, the Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence Committee, as well as the (actually very powerful) Calendar Committee. He noted the four things that will take up an inordinate amount of this legislature's time will be selling whiskey at Wal-Mart (both groups have hired lobbying firms and a Donnybrook will ensue), Tesla offering cars over the internet (again, both groups have hired lobbying firms and a Donnybrook will ensue), Uber providing cab service in Houston, San Antonio, and Dallas (again, both groups have hired lobbying firms and a Donnybrook will ensue), and (of course) open carry on campus (and, again, both groups have hired lobbying firms and a Donnybrook will ensue). The upshot is of passing all this is you'd then be able to open carry your gun to campus, while chugging down Wal-Mart whiskey, in a Tesla Model S Uber taxi ride that the driver bought over the internet.
- f. Saturday morning consisted of the Round Up Report mash-up by Professor Leaf of UT-Dallas followed by the TCFS business meeting. During the business meeting the entire UH-System contingent with the assistance of the two Texas A&M - College Station faculty senators in attendance put forth a resolution that basically applauded Governor Abbott's stance on higher education during his State of the State address a few weeks ago. The resolution passed unanimously and is headed to the five major newspapers in the state as an official press release from the TCFS.
- g. A straw poll at the business meeting showed unanimous support for a Provost/President panel to address successes...and failures...of shared governance. Immediately, the UH System contingent "volunteered" Ed Hugetz to be a member of that panel.
- h. Lastly, Wynne and Jonathan of UH offered to jump-start UFEC and work on its effectiveness for the common good of the system universities.

Presentation on Parking Garage from Mary Torres, Director, University Business Services:

1. Marty Torres provided an update on the Girard Street parking garage.
 - a. Should partially open in April.
 - b. Parking Fee charges will be increasing significantly (see Slide 9 below).
 - c. Director Torres' presentation slides are included below.
 - d. A Senator asked how many spaces the new parking garage will have versus the old parking garage:

Answer: The new parking garage will have less parking spaces than the old garage. However, without "buddy spaces" the utilization of parking spaces is expected to be higher. In other words, the number of actual cars in the new parking garage is expected to be greater than the old parking garage.

Girard Street Garage/Welcome Center


Presentation to Faculty Senate
March 3, 2015




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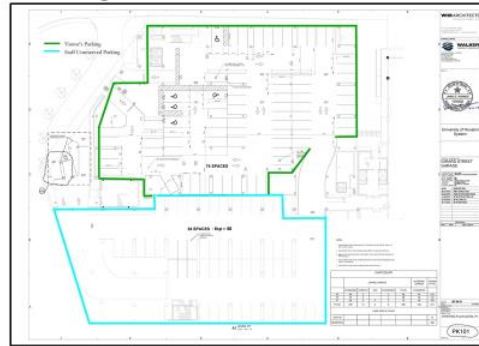
Girard 3 Floor Plan



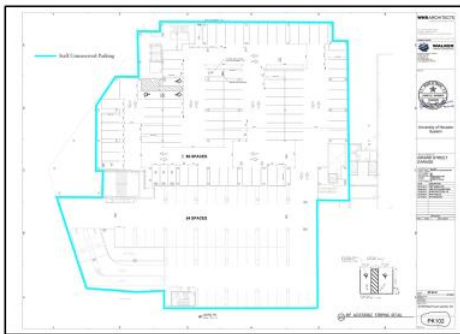
Project Schedule

- Spring Break driveway work (March 12 - 22)
- P2 and P3 will be available to UHD in mid-April
 - Will not put into service until after Spring semester
- Construction complete by end of August
 - Will now include Girard 3 tenant build-out
 - \$1.05 million in gifts (Houston Endow, Brown Fdn)
- Tenant move-in expected in mid-September

Parking Plan (tentatively proposed)



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University of Houston-Downtown FY2016-2017 Parking Fee Changes						
	Current Annual Rate	Current Monthly Rate	FY2016 Change (Annual)	New Annual Rate	New Monthly Rate	Monthly Rate Change
Faculty/Staff Parking Rates - FY2016						
Unreserved (Garage)	\$200	\$ 16.67	\$100	\$300	\$ 25.00	\$ 8.33
Unreserved (Surface)	\$200	\$ 16.67	\$40	\$240	\$ 20.00	\$ 3.33
Reserved (Garage) Acad & Shen	\$350	\$ 29.17	\$250	\$600	\$ 50.00	\$ 20.83
Reserved (Surface) Commense	\$275	\$ 22.92	\$205	\$480	\$ 40.00	\$ 17.08
Disabled	\$140	\$ 11.67	\$70	\$210	\$ 18.00	\$ 6.33
Unreserved - PT Fac & Stf (sem)	\$20	\$ 6.67	\$10	\$30	\$ 8.89	\$ 2.22
Fee Description	Current Annual Rate	Current Monthly Rate	FY2017 Change (Annual)	New Annual Rate	New Monthly Rate	Monthly Rate Change
Faculty/Staff Parking Rates - FY2017						
Unreserved (Garage)	\$300	\$ 25.00	\$0	\$300	\$ 30.00	\$ 5.00
Unreserved (Surface)	\$240	\$ 20.00	\$0	\$240	\$ 25.00	\$ 5.00
Reserved (Garage) Acad & Shen	\$600	\$ 50.00	\$120	\$720	\$ 60.00	\$ 10.00
Reserved (Surface) Commense	\$480	\$ 40.00	\$120	\$600	\$ 50.00	\$ 10.00
Disabled	\$210	\$ 18.00	\$24	\$234	\$ 20.00	\$ 2.00
Unreserved - PT Fac & Stf (sem)	\$30	\$ 8.89	\$10	\$40	\$ 11.11	\$ 2.22

University of Houston-Downtown Parking Fee Comparison Other Houston Area Universities			
Fee Description	UHD FY2016 Annual Rates	UH FY2015 Annual Rates	RICE FY2015 Annual Rates
Faculty/Staff Parking Permits			
Reserved (Garage)	\$480 - \$600	\$745 - \$1,042	N/A
Reserved (Surface)	\$480 - \$600	\$745 - \$1,042	N/A
Unreserved (Garage)	\$300	\$659	\$808
Unreserved (Surface)	\$240	\$278	\$167 - \$506
Unreserved - PT Fac & Stf (semester)	\$40	\$145	N/A
Disabled	\$216	\$246	N/A


Presentation from Carol Manousos, Director of Emergency Management:

1. Director of Emergency Management, Carol Manousos, gave a presentation on Emergency Management at UHD.
 - a. Prior to March 2013, an Emergency Management plan did not exist at UHD.

- b. Training sessions were provided on April 24, 2014 (General Emergency Management), August 2014 (Faculty Department Lockdowns), and December 2014 (Evacuation Plans).
- c. Director Manousos' presentation slides are included below.

**Emergency Management
UH - Downtown**

March 3, 2015



Collaboration

Environmental
Health & Safety

UHD PD

Facilities





Adv. & External
Relations

Emergency
Management



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Forums, Training, Awareness Programs

- April 2014 General Emergency Management
- August 2014 Faculty Departments – Lockdown System
- December 2014 Evacuation Planning

Coming soon!
Center for Personal Protection &
Safety Videos (CPPS)



External Partnerships

- UHS – UH, UHCL and UHV
- Houston Fire Department – Stations 6, 8 & 19
- METRO Police
- Houston Police
- City of Houston OEM
- Harris County Sheriff
- Harris County OEM



Exercising and Testing

- UHD PD ALERRT – March 17 & 18
- Houston Fire Department
 - Fire Drills
 - Surveys enhancing response
- UHD & METRO Partnership
 - UHD conducted university only Tabletop
 - May Tabletop and August Full Scale will also involve HPD, HCSO, FBI, city/county/state



Moving Forward

- Responsibility for safety
- Disseminating information
- Thinking “what if” and preparing
- Finding gaps in preparedness
- Acquiring new tools
- Working together

New Business:

1. Faculty Senate President, Susan Henney, proposed language for a resolution from the Faculty Senate opposing campus carry in any form. A motion was made and seconded (Smith/Penkar) to approve the resolution. Discussion followed whereby a motion to amend the language was made and seconded to remove “concealed”, replace “concealed weapons” with “firearms”, and designate the UHD Campus on the resolution. The amendment was voted on and passed unanimously. Subsequently, the original motion was voted on and passed unanimously. A copy of the resolution follows:

WHEREAS, allowing firearms on the UHD campus threatens our ability to create and maintain a safe, open learning environment for students, faculty and staff,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the members of the UHD Faculty Senate oppose any legislation or initiatives that will overturn the present prohibitions on carrying firearm on the UHD campus.

Presentation from FSEC member, Dr. Claude Rubinson, on faculty service workload

1. Dr. Rubinson polled department chairs as to the service workload (how many committees are people serving on, etc.) of the faculty in their department. All departments responded except for MMBA (Dr. Lucille Pointer) and FAEIS (Dr. Chu Nguyen).
 - a. The effort is still a work in progress.
 - b. The most salient fact was that the faculty at UHD are obviously serving on too many committees.
 - c. Current data only includes University and department level committees.
 - d. A copy of Dr. Rubinson's slides are included below.

UHD Faculty Service Load Study

Presentation of Initial Data Collection and Preliminary Findings to UHD Faculty Senate

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Faculty Service Load Study

- Have collected data on:
 - Most university-level committees (missing Faculty Awards, CTLE Steering, probably others)
 - Department-level committees (all departments have responded, except FAEIS, MMBA, and CSET)
 - All current faculty and rank
- This data does not include:
 - College-level committees
 - Committees below the department-level
 - Informal and "silent" service

Faculty Service Load Study

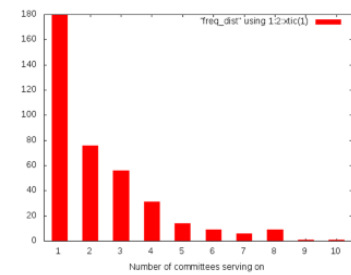
- Description of the data collected to date:
 - 35 university-level committees with 459 positions served by 253 individuals (includes faculty, administrators, staff, and some students)
 - Missing a handful of university-level committees
 - 99 department-level committees with 485 positions served by 202 faculty
 - 3 departments have not yet responded
 - R&T only reported for AH, UE, and SOS
 - Missing memberships for a handful of committees

University-Level Committees

MATH FR Mu Epsilon	Ronald Barnes	Member	SOS	HES Exploratory	Andy Stewart	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	David Branham	Member
MATH FR Mu Epsilon	Linda Becerra	Chair	SOS	HES Exploratory	Susan Henney	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Jason Carr	Member
MATH FR Mu Epsilon	Kendra Mhoon	Member	SOS	HES Exploratory	Christine Bachman	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Theresa Case	Member
MATH FR Mu Epsilon	Timothy Raff	Member	SOS	HES Exploratory	Arthur Ellassus	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Arlita Chaffin	Member
MATH Online Courses	Yusef Qi	Member	SOS	HES Exploratory	Greg Getz	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Gena Christian	Member
MATH Online Courses	Barry John	Chair	SOS	HES Exploratory	Jeff Jackson	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Stacie DeFratias	Member
MATH Online Courses	Van Nguyen	Member	SOS	Psych MA/Exploratory	Stacie DeFratias	Chair	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Shawn Edrhy	Member
MATH Online Courses	Thu Nguyen	Member	SOS	Psych MA/Exploratory	Travis Crane	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	David Farkas	Member
MATH Online Courses	Julith Quander	Member	SOS	Psych MA/Exploratory	Patrick Williams	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Greg Getz	Member
MATH Assessment Coordinators	Linda Becerra	Member	SOS	Psych MA/Exploratory	Andy Stewart	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	John Gillette	Member
MATH Assessment Coordinators	Sergiy Koshkin	Member	SOS	Psych MA/Exploratory	Erin Turner	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Susan Henney	Member
MATH Assessment Coordinators	Carl Vitalech	Member	SOS	Psych MA/Exploratory	Stephanie Calaman	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Ruth Johnson	Member
MATH Tutoring Coordinators	Anna Simmons	Member	SOS	Psych MA/Exploratory	Kalina Rufino	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Joanna Kattan	Member
MATH Tutoring Coordinators	Sargateh Gad	Member	SOS	Psych MA/Exploratory	Susan Henney	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Amy Kane	Member
MATH Tutoring Coordinators	Mitsea Nabamusa	Member	SOS	SOS Assessment Committee	Amy Kane	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Peter Li	Member
MATH Tutoring Coordinators	Linda Becerra	Member	SOS	SOS Assessment Committee	David Branham	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	John Linstrand	Member
MATH Honors Program Admission	Timothy Raff	Member	SOS	SOS Assessment Committee	Aaron Gillette	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Mohsen Moazzar	Member
MATH Honors Program Admission	Sergiy Koshkin	Member	SOS	SOS Assessment Committee	Andrew Pasulich	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Andrew Pasulich	Member
MATH MAA Chapter	Ryan Papper	Member	SOS	SOS Assessment Committee	Melissa Raymond	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Gone Prosser	Member
MATH MAA Chapter	Edwin Tecano	Member	SOS	Nonprofit Management Advisory Committee	David Branham	Chair	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Cynthia Stewart	Member
MATH MAA Chapter	Timothy Raff	Member	SOS	Nonprofit Management Advisory Committee	Jeff Jackson	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Loren Thacker-Kumar	Member
SOS Curriculum Committee	Andrew Pasulich	Chair	SOS	Nonprofit Management Advisory Committee	Faiza Shiga	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Joseph Woodell	Member
SOS Curriculum Committee	Travis Crane	Member	SOS	Search Committee 1	Travis Crane	Chair	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Patrick Williams	Member
SOS Curriculum Committee	Amy Kane	Member	SOS	Search Committee 1	Stephanie Bab	Member				
SOS Curriculum Committee	Austin Allan	Member	SOS	Search Committee 1	Christine Bachman	Member				
SOS Curriculum Committee	Peter Li	Member	SOS	Search Committee 1	Stephanie Calaman	Member				
SOS ORCA	Christine Bachman	Chair	SOS	Search Committee 2	Quander, Judith	Member				
SOS ORCA	Arthur Ellassus	Member	SOS	Search Committee 2	Stacie DeFratias	Chair				
SOS ORCA	John Linstrand	Member	SOS	Search Committee 2	Kristin Anderson	Member				
SOS ORCA	Gene Pears	Member	SOS	Search Committee 2	Kalina Rufino	Member				
SOS ORCA	Andrew Pasulich	Member	SOS	Search Committee 2	Frank Vila	Member				
SOS ORCA	Open	Chair	SOS	Search Committee 2	Patrick Williams	Member				
SOS Faculty Development Grant	Open	Member	SOS	Search Committee 3	Austin Allan	Chair				
SOS Faculty Development Grant	Open	Member	SOS	Search Committee 3	Theresa Case	Member				
SOS Faculty Development Grant	Open	Member	SOS	Search Committee 3	Jose Alvarez	Member				
SOS Faculty Development Grant	Open	Member	SOS	Search Committee 3	Aaron Gillette	Member				
SOS Annual Evaluation Advisory Committee	Open	Chair	SOS	Search Committee 3	Raguel Obagallo	Member				
SOS Annual Evaluation Advisory Committee	Open	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Austin Allan	Member				
SOS Annual Evaluation Advisory Committee	Open	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Jose Alvarez	Member				
SOS Annual Evaluation Review Committee	Open	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Kristin Anderson	Member				
SOS Annual Evaluation Review Committee	Open	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Stephanie Bab	Member				
SOS Annual Evaluation Review Committee	Open	Member	SOS	Rank & Tenure	Christine Bachman	Member				

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Faculty Service Load Study Preliminary Findings



Frequency of Committee Participation	# of committees serving on	# of individuals
1	180	
2	76	
3	56	
4	31	
5	14	
6	9	
7	6	
8	9	
9	1 (S. Koshkin)	
10	1 (S. Henney)	

Faculty Service Load Study Preliminary Findings, continued

- 338 faculty
- 242 tenure/tenure-track faculty
- 94 lecturers
- 1 instructor
- 1 visiting instructor
- 124 university- and department-level committees
- 2:1 ratio of tenure/tenure-track faculty to committees (including lecturers, 2.7:1 ratio)
- Excluding:
 - three departments,
 - some university-level committees,
 - college-level committees,
 - program-level committees, and
 - informal and "silent" service

Faculty Service Load Study

- Next Steps:
 - Finish collecting data on university- and department-level committees
 - Collect data on college-level committees (have CHSS data)
 - Collect data on program-level committees, and informal and silent service
 - Run analysis on distribution of service load by department and rank

Next meeting:

Because of spring break, the next meeting of the Faculty Senate is to be determined.

Action Items:

	Activity	Responsibility	Date of Completion
1			
2			
3			

Adjourn:

Motion made and seconded (Smith/Coy) to adjourn at 3:59 PM. Motion carried unanimously.