

**Faculty Senate Agenda**  
**Monday – March 14, 2011**  
**5:15 – Food Service**

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**Acceptance of Meeting Minutes:** February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Faculty Senate Minutes unanimously accepted.

**Reports:**

- **Officer and Committee Reports: None**
- **Presidents Cabinet Report for March:**
  - COP 7.53 Academic Appeal Process
    - ◆ Faculty was asked to review and comment. Sent in e-mail from John Pedrotti dated 3/14/2011, at 2:17 pm.
  - Administrative Withdrawal Procedure: No Changes recommended by committee. Committee was well represented by faculty.
    - ◆ This was to allow faculty to administratively withdraw students. Harlingen Faculty did not want this responsibility; therefore, Faculty can not withdraw students. Six classes may be dropped without counting against the student's financial aid.
  - 2012, 2013 Proposed Calendar (See Electronic Attachment)
    - ◆ Faculty was asked to review and comment. Sent in e-mail from John Pedrotti dated 3/14/2011, at 2:17 pm.
  - TSTC Rental Facilities Rates Increased. Voted on at PC. It passed. (See Electronic Attachment).
  - 2011 Accountability Report (See Electronic Attachment-21 pages).
  - FYI: Spring 2011 Graduation Speaker: Dr. Glenda Barron, Temple College
  - Ability to Benefit Update: Will be discussed Thursday in ET Meeting.
  - Environmental Training Center...Move Memorial??? EHS Facility
  - Success Criteria Data presented by Dr. Cox

**Old Business:**

- **COP 7.10:** Some comments already forwarded to me through email.
- **Course Improvement Survey:** Questions pertaining to "environment" not included in score for instructor. **Dr. Morris said environmental questions have to be asked in this survey.** Comments from Faculty Senate Officers have been returned questioning "Why" in this survey.
  - ◆ John Pedrotti to continue to call to determine from Dr. Morris.
- **4 Day week:** Visited with Mike Reeser on this issue. Wants to do a study determining if a 4 day week is advantageous to the system. Showed rough calculations of energy savings to him. He would like to generate a report that can be used to support moving to a 4 day work week. Report ready after the legislative session.
- **BOR Meeting:** John Pedrotti attended Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. (See New Business)
- **Upward Evaluations:** According to Ron Sanders, "No plan to move forward with this". He cited the unstable base of our current evaluation system, the mess in HR and SOLE. He has requested a meeting with me this week to discuss the 360 evaluation process.
  - ◆ John Pedrotti to call Ron Sanders.

**New Business:**

- Notes from BOR meeting with Chancellor Reeser:
  - Bill Pattern:
    - There will be cuts to TSTC...HOW MUCH???
    - Worst case scenario: \$14 million dollar cut (House)
    - Best case scenario: \$6.6 million dollar cut (Senate)
    - Probably fall somewhere in between.
    - Systems and Campuses have saved money for this emergency.
      - ◆ Per discussion, **THIS** would be the emergency!!!
    - There will be some sharing of budget between campuses.
      - ◆ West Texas campus to get dollars from other campuses?
      - ◆ Faculty will be the last to be cut.
    - Discussed Moral Situation on Campuses
  - Video updates from the Chancellor on Legislative Sessions was suggested to help with rumor mill and moral.
    - ◆ All Campus Presidents met at the BOR meeting to discuss this issue.
    - Waco will work at becoming more efficient to help offset any cuts.
      - ◆ President Stuckly will discuss in the General information sessions. In addition, a survey was sent out to ask for various ways to find savings/or generate revenue for the Waco campus.
    - **NOTE: TACC was not invited to speak at session (first time this has occurred).** TSTC and other colleges could speak.
  - BOR Notes:
    - Tuition increases approved.
    - Housing Rate increases suggested and passed.
    - Pilot years for “completer” model is 2011-2013. Have the option to be paid on contact hours if “completer” model fails.
    - Waco had < 3% small classes
    - Waco is below FTE CAP
    - EUCHEC proceeding as planned. Depends on if tax increases passes in Hutto. TSTC will own building and grounds after investing only 27% of cost. (Taylor project)
- Change in President’s General Information Session Schedules:
  - Wednesday, March 16, 2011: 7AM and 5PM
  - Friday, March 18, 2011: Noon and 3PM

***These were system-wide numbers, not only Waco campus.***

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:** March 15<sup>th</sup> Ad Hoc Committee for next Faculty Senate elections.  
**NOTE:** E-mail from George Wilhite dated March 17, 2001, 10:32 am for open nominations.

A motion was made, seconded, with no discussion to adjourn meeting at 5:55 pm.

**The following Senators were present:**

Aniruddh Hathi (CHT)	Ronald Neuman (MCI)	<b><i>Officers (continued):</i></b>
Carol Salvato (CNS)	Jennifer Procopio for Sylvia Borens (SBC)	Richard Wheet, Parliamentarian
Julian Alfred, (DET)	Renelle Gray, (TEL)	Steve Betros, Treasurer
Ronnie Parker (DDT)	Robert Cozby (WEB)	Ben Matus, Ombudsman
Kimberly Fehler (FSC)	<b><i>Officers:</i></b>	George Wilhite, Ombudsman
Ron Gwyn (GLM)	John Pedrotti, President	Steven Moss, Personnel
Wendell Daunis (MATH)	Patti Tate, Secretary	Del Bullock, Academic