

DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

EIGHTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL FOR 2007-2008

The University of Texas at Austin
Main Building, Room 212

Monday, April 14, 2008
2:15 P.M.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY** (D 6186-6196)—Sue Alexander Greninger.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**
 - A. Minutes of the Regular Faculty Council meeting of March 24, 2008 (delayed).
- III. COMMUNICATION WITH THE PRESIDENT**—William Powers Jr.
 - A. Comments by the President.
 - B. Questions to the President.
- IV. REPORT OF THE CHAIR**—Doug Burger.
- V. REPORT OF THE CHAIR ELECT**—David Hillis.
- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**
 - A. Proposed Policies on the Recognition of Undergraduate Academic Certificate Programs on Official University Transcripts (D 6128-6130)—Desmond Lawler (professor, civil, architectural, and environmental engineering and committee chair).
- VII. REPORTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY, COLLEGES, SCHOOLS, AND COMMITTEES.**
 - A. Report from Undergraduate Studies—Paul Woodruff.
 - B. Report from the General Faculty Standing Committees
 - 1. Committee of Counsel on Academic Freedom and Responsibility—Tessie Jo Moon (professor, mechanical engineering and committee chair).
 - 2. Faculty Advisory Committee on Budgets—Patricia A. Stout (professor, advertising and committee chair).
 - 3. Faculty Welfare Committee—Miguel Ferguson (associate professor, social work and committee chair).
 - 4. General Faculty Rules Committee—John R. Allison (professor, information, risk, and operations management and committee chair).
 - 5. University of Texas Press Advisory Committee—Carol MacKay (professor, English and committee vice chair).
 - 6. University Academic Calendar Committee—John R. Allison (professor, information, risk, and operations management and committee chair).
 - 7. Commencement and Academic Ceremonies Committee—Yolanda C. Padilla (professor, social work and committee chair).
 - 8. Parking and Traffic Appeals Panel—Thomas Milner (associate professor, biomedical engineering and committee chair).
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS.**
 - A. Report of the Committee to Nominate Faculty Members for Appointment to the Intercollegiate Athletics Councils for Men and for Women and to the University Co-op Board of Directors (D 6172-6173) — Doug Burger (associate professor, computer sciences and committee chair).

- B. Faculty Grievance Committee Proposal to Revise the *Handbook of Operating Procedures* 4.03, Teaching Assistant and Assistant Instructor Grievance Procedures (D 6174-6183)—Alan W. Friedman (professor, English and committee chair).
- C. Educational Policy Committee Motion on Rules for Designation as “College Scholars” and “Distinguished College Scholars” (D 6197)—Desmond Lawler (professor, civil, architectural, and environmental engineering and committee chair).

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS.

- A. Next Faculty Council meeting will be held on Monday, May 5 at 2:30 in Main 212, immediately following the special meeting of the 2008-2009 Faculty Council.
- B. Nominations for Civitatis Award due in the Office of the General Faculty by Friday, April 18.
- C. Annual Reports of the General Faculty Standing Committees are due in the Office of the General Faculty no later than April 18. Please turn these in on time so your Faculty Council Executive Committee (FCEC) and FCEC+ can focus on any matters that you might have that can be acted on this academic year (up to and including our May 5th meeting).
- D. Nominations for 2008-2009 Faculty Council Officers due April 21.
- E. The Standing Committees should submit any motions and/or reports for action by the Faculty Council at the May 5th meeting no later than April 21.
- F. Breakfast meeting with the President, May 1, 7:00-8:30 at the Campus Club on Guadalupe.
- G. UT Remembers, Friday, May 2: An annual day of remembrance honoring members of The University of Texas at Austin community who died in the previous year.
- H. 2008-2009 Faculty Council members’ preferences for Standing Committee appointments due May 5.

X. QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIR.

XI. ADJOURNMENT.

Sue Alexander Greninger, Secretary
The General Faculty and the Faculty Council