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ANNUAL FACULTY COUNCIL PHOTOGRAPH South Steps of the Main Building, 2:00 PM

FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL FOR 2015-2016

The University of Texas at Austin
 Main Building, Room 212

Monday, September 21, 2015
 2:15 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY** (D 13185-13191)—Hillary Hart (distinguished senior lecturer, civil, architectural, and environmental engineering).
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**
 - A. Minutes of the Special Faculty Council Meeting of May 6, 2015 (D 13000-13005).
 - B. Minutes of the Regular Faculty Council Meeting of May 6, 2015 (D 13006-13020).
- III. COMMUNICATION WITH THE PRESIDENT**—Gregory L. Fenves
 - A. Comments by the President.
 - B. Questions to the President.

From the Faculty Council Executive Committee:

President Fenves: Your statement of I June 2015 says that the campus-carry legislation passed by the Texas Legislature “authorizes university presidents to develop protocols that are appropriate for their institutions,” and you have pledged to work with “the UT Police Department, students, faculty, staff, student housing officials, the Chancellor, and the Board of Regents to develop those protocols for The University of Texas at Austin.”

We would appreciate an update on your efforts thus far, including the mechanisms you have put or will put into place to collect feedback from all those constituencies. Additionally, once collected, how will this feedback be used to develop the recommendations you will pass on to the Board of Regents before August 2016?

We know that developing those recommendations will not be easy and we thank you for your commitment to ensuring “the safety and security of our entire campus community.”
- IV. REPORT OF THE CHAIR**—Andrea C. Gore (professor, pharmacy).
- V. REPORT OF THE CHAIR ELECT**—Jody Jensen (professor, kinesiology and health education).
- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**—None.
- VII. REPORTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY, COLLEGES, SCHOOLS, AND COMMITTEES**—None.
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS.**
 - A. Discussion of Campus Carry –Steven Goode (chair, Campus Carry Policy Working Group and professor, law).
 - B. UTS policy and *Regents' Rule* on sexual harassment—Linda Millstone (investigations program manager) and Latoya Hill (Title IX coordinator).


- C. Proposal to Add an Environmental Engineering Degree Program in the Undergraduate Catalog, 2016-2018 (D 13171-13180)—Gerald Speitel (associate dean for academic affairs, Cockrell School of Engineering).
- D. Proposed Addition of a BS in Arts and Entertainment Technology Degree Program in the Undergraduate Catalog, 2016-2018 (D 13181-13184)—Andrew Dell'Antonio (associate dean, College of Fine Arts).
- E. Resolution from the Faculty Council Executive Committee Regarding Conferral of Degrees (D 13170)—Andrea Gore.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS.

- A. Suicide Prevention Week, September 20-25. For more information about the week's events, visit cmhc.utexas.edu. Goals for the week will be:
 - Raise awareness about college student suicide on our campus.
 - Aid in the de-stigmatization of mental health and mental illness.
 - Create a safe forum for students to talk about mental health.
 - Provide opportunities for students, faculty, and staff to learn how to talk about suicide.
- B. The next Faculty Council meeting will be October 19 at 2:15 PM in Main 212.
- C. The back-to-back annual meetings of the School of Undergraduate Studies and the General Faculty have been rescheduled from October 19 to January 25 beginning at 1:30 PM in MAI 212.
- D. The joint meeting with Texas A&M will be held March 7 at College Station.
- E. The March 7 Faculty Council meeting has been rescheduled to March 21 at 2:15 PM in MAI 212.

X. QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIR.

XI. ADJOURNMENT.



Hillary Hart, Secretary
General Faculty and Faculty Council