

## DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

**SECRETARY'S REPORT  
OCTOBER 8, 2018**

**I. COMMENTS**—None.**II. MEMORIAL RESOLUTION COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT.**

On September 12, 2018, President Fenves appointed the following committee to prepare a memorial resolution for **James W. Fredrickson**, Professor, Management: Francisco Polidoro (Chair), Douglas R. Dierking, and Andrew D. Henderson.

On September 14, 2018, President Fenves appointed the following committee to prepare a memorial resolution for **Jeanne M. Lagowski**, Professor Emerita, Neuroscience: Harold H. Zakon (Chair), George D. Pollak, and George D. Bittner.

**III. MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS COMPLETED.**

D 16774-16775	Report of the Memorial Resolution Committee for Frederick F. Ling (Professor Emeritus, Mechanical Engineering).
D 16778-16779	Report of the Memorial Resolution Committee for Edward R. Pearsall (Associate Professor, Music).
D 16776-16777	Report of the Memorial Resolution Committee for Robert F. Young (Professor, Architecture).
D 16788-16789	Report of the Memorial Resolution Committee for Robert W. Hamilton (Professor, Law).
D 16790-16791	Report of the Memorial Resolution Committee for Phyllis C. Young (Professor Emerita, Music).
D 16792-16793	Report of the Memorial Resolution Committee for Robert L. Folk (Professor Emeritus, Geological Sciences).

**IV. CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL**—None.**V. STATUS OF LEGISLATION APPROVED BY THE FACULTY COUNCIL OR THE GENERAL FACULTY.****A. ITEMS COMPLETED SINCE THE LAST REPORT.**

D 15557-15562	<b>Update to the Core Curriculum Course Lists for the 2018-2019 General Information Catalog.</b> Distributed through the Faculty Council Wiki site on November 7, 2017, and classified as legislation of general interest to more than one college or school. On November 20, 2017, the Faculty Council approved the legislation on a no-protest basis. On November 27, 2017, it was transmitted to Executive Vice President and Provost Maurie McInnis for her information. The School of Undergraduate Studies transmitted the legislation to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for final approval. On April 8, 2018 the THECB informed The University that fourteen of the proposed additions to the list of courses in the core curriculum require additional documentation. On May 8, 2018 the School of Undergraduate Studies provided the requested additional information. As of September 27, 2018, no further response from the THECB has been received.
D 16265-16266	<b>Report of The Committee to Nominate Faculty Members for Appointment to the Intercollegiate Athletics Councils for Men and for</b>

**Women.** Distributed through the Faculty Council Wiki site on March 20, 2018. On March 26, 2018, the Faculty Council approved the panel by no-protest. The nominees for the Intercollegiate Athletics Council for Men were Lynn A. Baker, Professor, Law; Pamela S. Buchanan, Lecturer, Kinesiology and Health Education; Louis Harrison, Professor, Curriculum and Instruction; and Stephen H. Marshall, Associate Professor, American Studies. The nominees for the Intercollegiate Athletics Council for Women were Gayle J. Acton, Associate Professor, Nursing; Daniel J. Birkholz, Associate Professor, English; Anthony L. Brown, Associate Professor, Curriculum and Instruction; Neville Hoad, Associate Professor, English; and Tasha S. Phiilpot, Associate Professor, Government. On March 27, 2018, the panels were transmitted to President Gregory L. Fenves for his consideration. On September 17, 2018, the President's office informed the Faculty Council Executive Committee that the two Intercollegiate Athletics Councils (IAC) had been merged. The merging of the IACs reduced the number of faculty from ten to eight; however, it increased the percentage of members who are faculty to 61% (from 50%).

- B. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS—None.
- C. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS COMMISSION ON COLLEGES (SACSCOC)—None.
- D. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD—None.
- E. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR—None.
- F. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT—None.
- G. ITEMS REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT TO THE PROVOST FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION.

D 15879-15881      **Resolution on Academic Analytics from the Committee of Counsel on Academic Freedom and Responsibility.** Distributed through the Faculty Council Wiki site on January 19, 2018. On January 22, 2018, The Faculty Council unanimously endorsed the resolution and it was transmitted to the Provost on January 23, 2018. The Provost, in consultation with Steven D. Hoelscher, formed a faculty working group to advise on the use of Academic Analytics, including how the service can assist UT Austin with strategic planning and to develop guidelines for its use. The first meeting of this working group took place on February 9, 2018, followed by another on March 21 and May 9. The Faculty Council awaits the report of the investigating committee on which Faculty Council Chair Charlotte Canning serves.

- VI. LEGISLATION UNDER REVIEW BY THE GENERAL FACULTY—None.
- VII. LEGISLATION UNDER REVIEW BY THE FACULTY COUNCIL.
- VIII. STATUS OF LEGISLATION NOT APPROVED BY THE FACULTY COUNCIL OR THE GENERAL FACULTY.
  - A. ITEMS DISAPPROVED, TABLED, OR WITHDRAWN—None.
  - B. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY STANDING COMMITTEES—None.

C. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY OTHER COMMITTEES—None.

**IX. SPECIAL COMMITTEES APPOINTED—None.**

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