

**UT Staff Council
General Meeting Minutes
July 31, 2014**

Frank Erwin Center, Longhorn Room (Annual Retreat)
1:23 PM

Present:

Aguilar, Ana; Bevington, Lizbelle; Bitzel, Alanna; Brzozowski, Tracy; Bussey, Joseph; Costa, Richard; Cowley, Chelsea; Crouch, Stephanie; Dallas, Larayne; Dean, Michael; Deforest, Lea; Edmonson, Christina; Eitelbach, Jason; Farahnak, Jeanne; Faulkner, Whitney; Gavenda, Philip; Grier, Victoria; Grieve, Katharine; Hernandez, Robert; Hill, Bryan; Hinojosa, Luz; Jones, Cameosha; Kendrick, Jeb; Killgore, Vicky; Levinson, Lynne; Moreno, Rita; Nedroscik, Jennie; Perrone, Stephanie; Quinlan, Rebecca; Stewart-Richlen, Bonnie; Stovall, Brian; Sylvia, Rebekah; Tendler, Stuart; Tenney, Margaret; Thomas, Gary; Thomas, Terence; Vela, Ricardo; Velazquez, Fernando; Viteo, Jennifer; Young, Brandi; Zuniga, Denise

Absent:

Cross, Katherine; Derry, James; Faulkner, Monica; Fratkin, Melyssa; Gorelik, Vadim; Grace, Kathy; Harris, Anna; Liberty, Larry; Lyon, Colleen; Myrick, Elizabeth; Puryear, Andrew; Roberson, Kristen; Rosenberg, Robyn; Thompson, Melinda

The meeting was called to order by chair Stuart Tendler at 1:23 p. m.

Vote on Annual Committees

A motion to approve the following committees for the 2014-15 term:

- Communications
- Sustainability
- Professional Development and Training
- Special Projects

The committees will be free to rework the name as long as basic substance kept. The motion was approved unanimously.

Vice Chair Announcement

Vice Chair Brian Stovall announced his resignation from UT, Staff Council and Vice Chair.

Stuart Tandler announced that nominations for the open Vice Chair office can be made by emailing Nominations & Elections Chair Ricardo Vela with a self-nomination or a nomination for another. The bylaws require a minimum of one year service on Staff Council to be eligible to serve as Vice Chair. Also, nominations can be made in the August meeting. Stuart strongly recommended having full support from your supervisor if you are considering the office of Vice Chair due to the high demand for meeting time away from work. Stuart also asked to have a conversation with anyone considering the position and to recognize that depending on who fills the Vice Chair, there may be one or two other openings to consider.

Stuart said that after nominations at the August meeting, the election will be at the September meeting.

Erika Frahm spoke to urge anyone interested in the Vice Chair office to speak with her or with Ryan Baldwin, last term's Vice Chair, to get a realistic picture of the time demands for that position.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

None.

The meeting adjourned at 1:33 p. m.

Minutes Approved August 21, 2014

Gary Thomas
Recording Secretary