

Please note: These minutes were not brought before the Staff Council for official approval.

**UT Staff Council: General/Working Meeting**

**September 15, 2016**

**SAC 2.302, 2:00 – 3:30 PM**

**Roster:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Jaime Davis	110.1	P
Malena Castillo	110.2	<b>Absent</b>
Chelsea Cowley	120.1	P
Victoria Cervantes	120.2	<b>Absent</b>
Wendy Nesmith	130.1	P
Larayne Dallas	130.2	P
Daedelus Hoffman	130.3	<b>Absent</b>
Rebekah Sylvia	140.1	P
John Vernon	140.2	<b>Absent</b>
Jessica Meyerson	151	<b>Absent</b>
Elizabeth Krieg	160.1	P
Michelle Monk	170.1	P
Lauren Phillips	170.2	<b>Absent</b>
David Barrett	190.1	P
Stephanie Hill	190.2	<b>Absent</b>
Ana Dison	202	P
Sarah Shields	210.1	<b>Absent</b>
Sarah Parker	210.2	P
Karen Little	220.1	<b>Absent</b>
Maureen Kelly	220.2	<b>Absent</b>
Noemi Govea	230.1	P
Page Stephens	230.2	P
Alex Reshanov	240.1	P
Bug Davidson	240.2	<b>Absent</b>
Jessica Crawford	251	<b>Absent</b>
Christian Glakas	262	P
Tiffany Carmichael	291	P
Teresita Gonzalez	300.2	P
Gabrielle Harding	311	<b>Absent</b>
Philip Pool	322	P
Rachel Poole	342	P

Ana Aguilar	360	P
Rebecca Fitch	360.1	<b>Absent</b>
Pratikshya Rijal	371	P
Mirna Benhamou	382	<b>Absent</b>
Jeff Meserve	391	P
Sonja Hartley	402	<b>Absent</b>
Shannon Mann	411	<b>Absent</b>
Joe Posada-Triana	422	<b>Absent</b>
William Pieper	431	<b>Absent</b>
Sean Saxe	442	P
Marcy Drapes	451	<b>Absent</b>
Joseph Bussey	460.2	P
Ricardo Vela	461	P
Michael Walker	470.1	P
Wendy Nelson	470.2	<b>Absent</b>
Vicki Miller	491	<b>Absent</b>
Robert Hernandez	511	P
Stephanie Myers	522	P
Tamika Thomas	530.3	P
Eda Matthews	540.1	P
Trace DeMont	540.2	<b>Absent</b>
Stephen Walker	550	P
Dustin Slater	550.1	P
Caroline Taylor	550.2	P
Larrimie Gordon	560.1	<b>Absent</b>
Anthony Pass	560.2	<b>Absent</b>
Danielle Myricks	560.3	<b>Absent</b>
Courtney Glynn	560.4	<b>Absent</b>
Catherine Warden	600.1	
Derrick Ozuna	600.2	<b>Absent</b>
Susan Stockton	610.1	<b>Absent</b>
Luke McEneny	652	<b>Absent</b>
Gary Kosmas	660.1	P
Jocelyn Elder	660.2	<b>Absent</b>
Maria Ruffino	660.4	<b>Absent</b>
Miles Sapp	672	P
Elizabeth Cobbe Goeller	701	P
Jenna Dugan	999	P
LeeAnn Gibson	999	P

Bryan Hill	999	P
Jason Eitelbach	999	P
Tracy Brzozowski	999	<b>Absent</b>

### **September Meeting:**

The meeting was called to order by Christian Glakas, UTSC Chair at 2:08 PM

### **Guests:**

#### **Nosse Ovienmhada –HealthPoint Wellness Program**

- The UT Tobacco Free Campus Website (<http://sites.utexas.edu/tobaccofree/>) has been updated to provide educational information, an anonymous reporting tool, and communication toolkits.
- In October HealthPoint Wellness will be co-sponsoring two events: Mammo Mixers and Walktober.
  - The HealthPoint Work-Life Balance & Wellness Program has partnered with St. David's Hospital to offer UT Mammogram Mixers on October 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, and 21 at the St. Davids Breast Center. UT Select Plan participants receive one routine screening mammogram with no co-pay and 100% coverage per plan year. Door Prizes, Massages and Cocktails will be available for those who attend during the Mammo Mixer times.
  - WALKTOBER is a new Living Well Activity Challenge. It begins October 3, 2016, and ends November 2, 2016. This campaign is designed to help you enhance health and wellbeing—in October and beyond.

#### **Jennifer Speer-Amazon@UTexas**

- Amazon@UTexas is a new service for staff and faculty on campus with Amazon Prime membership. Visit <http://utexas.amazon.com/> to activate your benefits, which include faster shipping (free 1-day shipping on millions of items), a convenient and secure pick up location in Gregory Gym, and free returns on most items. Additionally, a portion of all sales goes back to the University. It can be used for personal or business purchases. Prime members also receive other benefits such as: free shipping, movie & tv show streaming, ad free music, and unlimited photo storage.

#### **Richard Costa-UT Staff Golf Tournament**

- The Hook'em & Slice'em Staff golf tournament is one of two golf scrambles held each year for UT Staff Members. Teams can be made up of staff members from any department within the UT System. You may also have a family member or a single non-UT player join your team. The cost of the tournament is \$80 per player. This covers green fees, cart, range ball, two mulligans, lunch and the tournament prizes. The event will be held on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> with an 8am Shotgun start.

### **Chair's Report: Christian Glakas**

The Chair focused on overall engagement issues with the Staff Council.

- From the summer retreat, 58 attended out of 72 Representatives, which is an 80% attendance. UTSC would like to increase engagement by both the Representatives and to our constituents. The Leadership on campus is listening. At the State of University address, President Fenves spoke that “voices have been heard and valued”.
- Jocelyn Elder prepared a post retreat evaluation survey that included 18 responses of the 58 that attended the retreat. That is a 31% response rate, which needs to be improved.
- The UTSC goals, per the by-laws are:
  1. Provide a forum to present interests, concerns, and issues affecting staff
  2. Pose advisory recommendations to UT leaders as a Representative advocate
  3. Select nominees for UT standing committees
- The Faculty Council requested 48 staff nominations for the standing committees they oversee and we only received 21 nominations.

The annual committees are determined based on constituent feedback, as well as the interests of the Representatives. A survey was sent to all represented staff in August 2016.

The Engagement committee was created and will be chaired by Caroline Taylor. This committee will identify and address the following obstacles:

1. Computer proficiency
2. English language proficiency
3. UTSC resources (email templates, etc.) to generate work as Staff Council

Staff Survey goals:

- Identify interests
- Inform UTSC committee work
- Enable UTSC to understand staff positions and communicate to leadership with data that supports it.
- Open conversations between reps and their constituents

The status of the survey:

- It has been drafted, reviewed by survey research expert
- Pending review from campus leadership
- Distribute by late September/early October

#### **Vice Chair Report (Jason Eitelbach):**

There is a request to have a Staff Luncheon with President Fenves. This will be based on a lottery similar to the Student Luncheon. Approximately 15-16 staff members will be selected to have lunch with President Fenves at least once a semester.

Volunteers are needed to work on this project. Interested parties will meet after this meeting.

#### **Secretary Report (Ricardo Vela):**

The minutes for August meeting will be distributed together with the September meeting minutes. Based on the UTSC bylaws, there is no need for the minutes to be voted on by the staff council assembly.

**Unfinished Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30pm.

Ricardo Vela  
Recording Secretary