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Session Summary for February 15, 2018

- Location: POB 2.302 Time: 2:00 – 3:30
- Chair's Report
 - March meeting moved to 03/22
 - Bobby Stone with PTS will be at April meeting
 - UTSC Book Club will read "Made to Stick". If interested in joining, contact [Jaime](#)
- Vice Chair's Report
 - Darrell Bazzell had the officers contact two key staff members he worked with in Wisconsin to talk about Staff Congress issues
 - This relationship will provide peer feedback and knowledge to help our council run more efficiently.
- Guest Speaker-Kouang Chan, University Ombuds
 - Confidential 3rd party voice that assists students and staff with personal conflicts.
 - A service they provide is to direct clients to the proper office if action is needed/wanted, but will not launch any type of formal investigation.
- Officer Elections-Jaime & Gordon
 - 2018-2019 Chair: *Jaime Davis*, Vice Chair: *Page Stephens*, Secretary: *Sara Bernier*, Parliamentarian: *Larrimie Gordon*
 - Regular elections will open in March; Districts ending in an even number will open. Vacant positions are open as well.
- Guest Speaker-Kari Ross, Campaign Organizer w/Environment Texas
 - Working w/the Sustainability Committee to pass a resolution for UT System to create a Task Force. This task force will create a University Lands methane-control program to cut current emissions by half in the next 5 years. The resolution was supported and passed by UTSC.
- Proposed Bylaws Changes-Caroline
 - 6 policy changes were discussed: Proposed Bylaw changes 1-5 were passed with UTSC soft vote, but proposed change 6 about term limits was not. Council would like more information at the next meeting prior to making a final decision.
 - Email [Caroline](#) with suggested language for bylaws change
- New Business/Announcements
 - Michael Nugent, rep for District 220, said his fellow staff members are concerned about safety and security at WPR and are looking for suggestions on resources.
 - Claire Hahn w/Health & Wellness gave information about the next Wellness Screenings: TCC 2/27-2/28; PRC 03/22-03/23; Gregory 03/05-03/08
 - School of Nursing will be at the March meeting
 - Tepera Holman, District 160, said if an employee is requesting the Staff Ed Benefit, to apply for the benefit first, then apply to the University for admission.