

Texas A&M International University
Minutes of Faculty Senate Meeting
October 6, 2017

- I. *Call to order* by Dr. Ken Tobin at 12:05 pm
- II. *Roll call*: Present: Dr. Kenneth J. Tobin, Dr. Marvin E. Bennett III, Dr. Ruby A. Ynalvez, Dr. Frances G. Rhodes, Dr. George R. Clarke, Ms. Malynda M. Dalton, Ms. Vivian Garcia, Dr. Puneet S. Gill, Dr. Ariadne A. Gonzalez, Ms. Destine D. Holmgreen, Dr. Diana Linn, Dr. David K. Milovich Jr., Ms. Marcela Moran, Dr. James A. Norris, Dr. Jason Norris, Dr. Lola O. Norris, Dr. Leonel Prieto, Dr. Philip S. Roberson, Dr. Maria D. Vilorio, Dr. Oswaldo A. Zapata Correa
- III. Three guests were present in the meeting: Dr. Arenaz, Dr. Mitchell and Mr. Griz Zimmerman
 - a) Dr. Pablo Arenaz announced the following:
 - TAMIU ranks No. 6 among the Top 10 Best Colleges for Biology majors in Texas, according to a new ranking released by online source, Zippia.com. TAMIU, along with Texas A&M University College Station, were the only two universities in the Texas A&M University System recognized. To be announced soon also by Zippia.com, TAMIU ranks No. 3 among the 10 Best Colleges for Mathematics Majors in Texas. TAMIU follows Rice University and The University of Texas at Austin as one of the top Universities for Math majors in the state.
 - The documentary, “Rhapsody on the Rio,” has been nominated in the Texas Emmy Award. The documentary has recently been added to the national PBS Online Network for viewing, thus expanding its audience at a national level. DVD and CD soundtracks of “Rhapsody on the Rio” are now available.
 - A pedestrian vehicular accident by the parking lot in LBV was reported 2 weeks ago. In this regard, a change in traffic pattern was planned. It will be a one-way traffic pattern.
 - Dr. Arenaz plans to have informal, casual meetings with the faculty.
 - b) Dr. Arenaz emphasized the creation of a university culture where ideas are exchanged. In this regard, he requested that through the Faculty Senate we can convey this to faculty members. Faculty members’ attendance to campus events e.g. seminars, lecture series, performances is being requested by Dr. Arenaz.
 - c) Dr. Thomas Mitchell announced that there will be a 1.5% merit increase this year (merit-based and not across the board); equity and promotion will not be part of this merit.
 - He made mention that Faculty Senate (FS) president, Ken Tobin meets with him regularly and thus for any concern, it could be directed to Dr. Tobin. Dr. Mitchell added

that he has no objection with Dr. Tobin requests that a representative of the FS attends the Deans Council and chairs meetings.

- He emphasized the need to schedule classes smartly in order to increase graduation rate e.g. to schedule based on students' needs; whenever possible, not to schedule 3000-4000 level classes at the same time. He also stressed the importance of publishing the 2-year cycle courses so students and advisers can plan accordingly. Chairs are working on the tentative schedule for summer and fall. In November, students will see these tentative schedules, this should help students with their planning of their spring schedules.
- Discussion of granting Emeritus was made by Dr. Mitchell. The faculty has to be nominated and the faculty has to accept the nomination. It was stressed that the department promotion and tenure committee and not the chair endorses the recommendation. The process follows a similar pattern to that of faculty promotion and tenure. The nominee should receive the support of both members of the faculty and the administration and approved by the Board of Regents. The process of granting Emeritus Professor is not yet well-defined in the handbook.
- The discussion went back to scheduling classes: Dr. Mitchell is pushing hard for the balance of evening schedule of classes and that a one-day a week schedule for an undergraduate class is not advisable.
- A question was raised on why we do not offer a 75-min class on Mondays and Wednesdays. Dr. Arenaz responded that we are not a "Free-Friday" campus. In addition, students do better in the 50-min class. Dr. Mitchell added that scheduling of classes will also be more efficient with the 50 min classes.
- Research releases were discussed. Faculty members have opportunities for course release e.g. in COAS, faculty can apply to the Dean for a 2-2 course load if the faculty has a research project e.g. to write a book and if the faculty score a total of 9 in research in PPE in the past year. Tenured faculty can apply for Faculty Development (this is Texas equivalent of the Sabbatical leave). There are also University Research Grants and University Research Development Awards.

d) Mr. Griz Zimmerman shared that the Athletics Department continue to recruit academically better caliber athletes. The department also worked with student services to get help for their student athletes and the athletes also request for midterm progress report from their professors. Mr. Zimmerman requested that faculty members give him an email notification for an athlete who is being delinquent in classes. He also announced the upcoming Maroon Madness in October 18.

IV. *Approval of the September 08, 2017 minutes:* The minutes were approved by the Faculty Senate (FS).

V. Election Results: Dr. Rhodes reported the results of the previous elections i.e. approval of the composition of Grievance Pool; approval of the additional Faculty Senator at Large; elected members of the University Honors Council

VI. *Old Business*

a) *Handbook changes* were reported by Ms. Dalton (see attachment “Handbook Changes, Handbook Committee, Oct 3, 2017” for more details). The Faculty Senate members voted for the following proposed changes:

- Faculty Senate voted to accept the proposed change in item 1, page 58 of the handbook (announcement of University Award recipients in the Fall Assembly)
- Faculty Senate voted to accept the proposed change in item 2, page 12 of the handbook (change in the Graduate Council’s responsibility)
- Faculty Senate voted to accept the proposed change in item 2, page 45 of the handbook (There is no longer an Office of Graduate Studies and Research, instead it will be a Graduate School and a Dean of the Graduate School)
- Faculty Senate voted to accept the proposed change in item 3, page 10 of the handbook (Grievance Pool composition changes)

b) *Faculty Senate Executive Lunch with Dr. Arenaz*: Dr. Ruby Ynalvez reported the discussions that transpired during the meeting. The agenda of this meeting was the issues and concerns brought up during the Faculty Senate hosted Faculty Forum and Mixer. The following were the results of the meeting:

- Another faculty survey will be conducted to resolicit issues and concerns.
- To address teaching loads, Dr. Arenaz made mention that the handbook has the calculations for teaching loads. Chairs could use those calculations. This will benefit faculty members who are teaching big classes.
- There is actually no conflict in the target that faculty/student ratios need go down and our class sizes going up.
- The question why we have WIN classes – Dr. Arenaz suggested that we email either Dr. San Miguel or Dr. Kilburn.
- In this meeting, Dr. Arenaz made mention of his plan to have informal, casual meetings with the faculty.

c) With regards to the *parking issue of reserved parking filling up* that was raised last meeting, Dr. Tobin reported that people on the wait-list eventually got parking.

d) The discussion went back to *Handbook Changes*: (see attachment “Handbook Changes, Handbook Committee, Oct 3, 2017” for more details).

- Item 4 Compliance Issues page 28; Faculty Senate voted to accept item 4 (Anti-Discrimination/Title IX)
- Item 5 Compliance Issues, add paragraph to page 68; Faculty Senate voted to accept item 5

VI. New Business

a) Dr. Tobin reported the following:

- Faculty Senate now has representation to the Deans Council Meeting.
- Dr. Tobin had discussions with Deans of the University Colleges with regards to fixed-term promotion guidelines and faculty evaluation rubrics
 - School of Business: according to Dr. Sears, evaluation for merit has been voted and will need ratification by Faculty Senate. Dr. Sears will come next month to the Faculty Senate Meeting.
 - College of Education: Dr. Tobin went to COED's College meeting and the college have plans for establishing guidelines for promotion for fixed terms and the merit evaluations for faculty members will come up in the spring.
 - College of Arts and Sciences: Dr. San Miguel indicated that fixed term faculty promotion guidelines will be looked at and she has also discussed this matter with Dr. Weitman of the University College.

b) A suggestion was brought up with regards to conducting a survey of university fixed term as well as to check System Policy 12.07 - - to check if TAMIU is consistent with this policy. The suggestion was made in order to make clarifications and in this regard, TAMIU will be more effective in hiring talented fixed-term faculty. Dr. Rhodes volunteered to do a focus report.

c) Planned Faculty Survey questionnaire as reported by Sub-Committee Academic Oversight chair, Dr. Bennett. The following will be the questions for Faculty Senate's next survey. The survey will be opened this month.

1. What major problems or concerns do you have with the university, academics, support services, etc. that impedes you to effectively and efficiently do your duties as a faculty member (i.e. impedes your ability to do research, teaching and/or service)?

2. Specifically, how would you like the Faculty Senate to address your problem(s) or concern(s)?

3. What do you think the university is doing right?

VII. Committee Reports

Academic Oversight: Dr. Bennett is the chair; report was done earlier under “New Business”

Budget and Finance: Dr. Prieto was elected chair

University Ethics: Dr. Lola Norris is the chair; sub-committee did not meet;

Committee on Committees: elected Dr. Rhodes as chair

Faculty Work Environment and Morale: Dr. R Ynalvez is the chair; the committee met and a letter to the Deans will be sent next week to request the opening for nominations; the committee also prepared a recommended time line for the process, taking note of the dates indicated in the handbook (minutes of the sub-committee was attached in September FS Minutes)

Faculty Handbook Revision: Ms. Dalton is the chair; report was done earlier under “Old Business”

Distance Education and Instructional Technology: there is a new training (a 45 min training); this training is called “Accessibility Matter” that could be relevant to faculty jobs. Distance Education Week that will involve faculty, a \$150 stipend to develop materials related to distance education will be provided (minutes of the sub-committee was attached in September FS Minutes)

Technology Advisory: met last Wednesday with Mr. Hinojosa from the library. Mr. Hinojosa presented on the New York Times TAMU subscriptions and academic resources for research. Dr. Vioria also provided minutes from the September 06 meeting of the Technology Advisory Committee (attached in September FS Minutes)

Assessment: Dr. Jim Norris, nothing to report

Ad Hoc Committees:

Ad Hoc for PPE: Committee hasn't met but will meet in October

Committee for Fixed Term: Dr. Philip S. Roberson will be the chair of the committee

Other business: None

VIII. The meeting was adjourned by Dr. Tobin at 2:17 pm.

Handbook Changes, Handbook Committee, Oct 3, 2017

- 1) the sentence on page 58

"Award recipients, as well as the college winners in all three categories, will be announced at Spring Graduation and Fall Convocation."

- should say announced at "Fall Assembly".

- 2) revisions for the "Graduate Council"

Page 12 - It is the responsibility of the Graduate Council ~~to review all proposals for graduate degree programs and courses and, at its option, existing programs; and~~ to establish and review the criteria for membership on the Graduate Faculty.

Page 45 - ~~Full members are appointed to the Graduate Faculty for a term of five years and will be subject to re-evaluation at the end of the term. This membership must be approved by the Graduate Council.~~

The rest of the changes reflect the fact that there is no longer an Office of Graduate Studies and Research, just a Graduate School and a Dean of the Graduate School.

- 3) Grievance Pool Changes ---- page 10

9. The University Grievance Committee Pool. This pool will be comprised of ~~twenty-four~~ **twenty-four** ~~six~~ tenured faculty from ~~across the university selected by a lottery overseen by the Faculty Senate executive committee to serve a three-year term. Faculty member will be ineligible for lottery selection for the three years following a term of service within the grievance pool.~~ **the** College of Arts & Sciences, four tenured faculty from each of the other colleges, and two tenured faculty per free-standing academic unit, to be elected in the same manner and at the same time as PTR elections; additionally, ~~the Provost will appoint, within one week of the Grievance Pool election, two tenured at-large faculty representatives.~~ Since the Grievance Pool provides the membership of Grievance Committees as well as a majority of committee members for appeals of promotion or tenure decisions its membership should be established early in the year before individual grievances or appeals emerge. Once ~~the lottery is completed~~ **the lottery is completed** ~~elections and appointments are complete,~~ the pool will consist of ~~twenty-four~~ **twenty-four** ~~one~~ members, enough to manage four grievances or four appeals without duplication of personnel. Deans, associate deans, department chairs, and heads of academic units may not serve on this committee. When a grievance is filed, each party will select two committee members from the pool, and the Faculty Senate President will select a fifth member from the pool. In the event of the Faculty Senate

President's involvement in the grievance, the Vice President will select the fifth member. The resulting five-member committee for each grievance will elect its own Chair from its membership. Once the Grievance Pool has been constituted, it will meet to elect a secretary to manage the receipt of complaints and requests for information and to keep a record of ongoing activity, which will be filed each semester with the Secretary of the Faculty Senate. Since membership on a grievance committee can be a strenuous experience, no member of the Grievance Pool should participate in more than one proceeding in the same academic year. If events require additional members to be added to the pool, a ~~special election~~ **lottery** will be held for an appropriate number of additional members at the earliest possible time. The number of members necessary will be determined for each situation by the Grievance Pool members, chaired on this occasion by the Faculty Senate President.

4) Compliance Issues - page 28

~~Illegal Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, and Related Retaliation~~

Anti-Discrimination/Title IX

TAMIU does not discriminate or permit harassment against any individual on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity in admissions, educational programs, or employment. If you would like to file a complaint relative to Title IX or any civil rights violation, please contact the TAMIU Director of Equal Opportunity and Diversity/Title IX Coordinator, Lauren A. Jones, J.D., 5201 University Boulevard, Killam Library 159B, Laredo, TX 78041, TitleIX@tamiau.edu, 956.326.2857 and/or the Office of Civil Rights (Dallas Office), U.S. Department of Education, 1999 Bryan Street, Suite 1620, Dallas, TX 75201-6810, 214.661.9600. Reports can also be made on our electronic, anonymous reporting site: www.tamiau.edu/reportit. ~~TAMIU strictly prohibits all forms of illegal discrimination, sexual harassment (which includes sexual violence, rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking), and related retaliation. All faculty members are required to report alleged or suspected illegal discrimination, sexual harassment, and/or related retaliation that they experience, observe, or are made aware of. Reports can be made to a supervisor, any administrator, the Title IX coordinator or deputy coordinators, or the University Police Department. More information is available in [TAMUS Policy 8.01](#) and [System Regulation 8.01.01](#).~~

- 5) Compliance issues - add paragraph to page 68

Student Leave of Absence and Pregnant/Parenting Students

As required by Title IX, TAMU provides leaves of absence for students, including pregnant/parenting students, in accordance with the TAMU Attendance Rule and Student Leave of Absence rule (which includes a Leave of Absence Request form). Both rules can be found in the TAMU Student Handbook. If you receive a request for a leave of absence from a student, including pregnant/parenting students, please promptly report it to and seek guidance from the Office of Student Affairs.

Under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, discrimination based on sex, including harassment because of pregnancy or related conditions, is prohibited. A pregnant/parenting student must be granted an absence for as long as the student's physician deems the absence medically necessary. It is a violation of Title IX to ask for documentation relative to the pregnant/parenting student's status beyond what would be required for other medical conditions.

October 27th 2017

Faculty Workplace and Morale Committee Meeting

Committee Members Present: Ruby Ynalvez, David Milovich and Puneet Gill

1. R Ynalvez reported to the committee that the deans have responded to the request to open the university awards nominations.
 - Dr. Sears (School of Business) plans to have the nominations open by November 1; Dr. San Miguel (COAS) already opened the nominations; College of Nursing has already opened the nominations; Dr. Weitman (University College) and Dr. O'Meara (COED) will discuss the matter in their upcoming meetings.

2. The committee discussed few parts of the teaching award evaluation rubric that will need modifications. These revisions will be presented to the Faculty Senate in the December meeting.

3. The following was discussed about the evaluation process:
 - The committee sets an ambitious goal to recruit 12 observers. Each of these observers will evaluate 2 nominees.
 - The committee targets that by January, the pool of observers have already been recruited. The past winners at the University and College levels will be invited to serve as observers. Similar to what has been done in the past, the Deans could also be solicited for observers.



DEITC Meeting Minutes



Date: 10/2/2017

Time: 2:30pm

Location: KL 102

Members Present:

1. Dr. Kazen
2. Dr. Abrego
3. Dr. Zawisza
4. Dr. Tobin
5. Ms. Gutierrez
6. Dr. Kim
7. Dr. Coronado

Members Absent:

1. Dr. Gaskins
2. Dr. De la Garza
3. Mrs. Linda Flores
4. Mr. Juan Garcia
5. Mr. Rogelio Hinojosa
6. Dr. Lindberg
7. Dr. Rhodes

Instructional Designers III:

1. Gloria Sanchez
2. Phylis Zimmermann
3. Carlos Vallarta
4. Juan Ramirez
5. Julio Tovar

| Item | Action/Information | Person Responsible |
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| NC-SARA Update | <p>Tony gave an update on SARA (State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement) and introduced TxSAN, a Texas State Authorization Network of Texas Higher Ed institutions. TxSAN's purpose is to assist institutions with state authorization issues and distribute pertinent and timely information. A set of new regulations was also presented (see attachment).</p> <p>A total of 6 students from 5 different states were identified under SARA at TAMIU this semester. California is in the process of becoming a SARA state. The number of out-of-state students is reported annually through the SARA portal.</p> | Tony Ramirez |
| ECHO360 – Lecture Capture August Update | <p>There were a total of 132 videos uploaded during the month of August. A total of 16 faculty members use ECHO and we expect this number of increase now that ECHO is integrated with Blackboard. This integration allows faculty members to initiate the recording from inside their course. In addition, Tony informed the committee that students are using the “notes” and “Q&A” features in ECHO as they watch the videos. Students are able to make notes within videos for reflection.</p> <p>Tony will report a breakdown by department in the next DEITC meeting.</p> | Tony Ramirez |
| Accessibility Training | <p>Phylis reported that the Accessibility Matters (Train Traq #211971) training course is being updated. Currently, this training is only required for faculty teaching online courses.</p> | Phylis Zimmermann |

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| | <p>This training was designed to provide information on the importance of accessibility and how to create course content that is accessible. There was a proposal to require F2F and hybrid faculty to take the Accessibility Matters training – this item will be tabled until the next meeting so that Dr. Tobin can introduce the proposal to the Faculty Senate.</p> <p>Dr. Tobin asked the length of the training and how often it is required. Phylis confirmed that the training takes 45 minutes to one hour for completion one-time only unless there are substantial changes in the law.</p> | |
| Academic Partnerships | <p>Dr. Abrego informed the committee that TAMIU has been in conversations with Academic Partnerships (AP) to increase the number of students enrolled in online graduate level programs. Last month, a representative from AP met with faculty and administration from the four different Colleges. Next week, they will meet with staff from support departments. IT and Distance Education will meet with them next Friday, October 6th.</p> <p>Dr. Abrego also mentioned that AP has an academic unit that works with faculty to make sure that our courses meet the standard of quality. AP representatives were pleased to hear that our university is a QM subscriber that will most likely facilitate the review process.</p> <p>Dr. Abrego will forward an email sent by Dr. Mitchell to Karla from the Registrar's office and Dr. Tobin with information on AP's upcoming meetings on campus.</p> | Dr. Abrego & Dr. Tobin |
| Presentation of Revised Development Manual | <p>Dr. Abrego presented an updated Online Course Development Manual that describes in detail the course development process. This document will be uploaded to the DEITC folder housed inside of Blackboard and asked committee members to read it and suggest revisions. A copy of the new course mapping diagram was distributed during the meeting with notes explaining each component.</p> | Dr. Abrego |
| Proctoring Update | <p>Gloria reported that a total of 15 classes are using a proctoring solution this semester. There are 10 faculty members (13 classes) using Respondus Monitor and only one (two classes) using Examity. It is expected that the number of faculty using a proctoring solution will increase in the Spring semester. Students must be advised that there is a cost for the use of a proctoring solution in their syllabus.</p> <p>Syllabi statements are available for each proctoring solution</p> | Gloria Sanchez |

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| | <p>from eLearning. Dr. Tobin and Karla Gutierrez suggested Dr. Mitchell sends an email to faculty the week after Thanksgiving to encourage faculty to adopt either of these proctoring solutions. Dr. Abrego will email Dr. Mitchell this recommendation.</p> | |
| <p>Learning Technologies Week</p> | <p>Dr. Abrego informed the committee that Distance Education Week's name has changed to Learning Technologies Week – renamed to be inclusive of technologies used in all types of courses.</p> <p>In order to increase attendance during Learning Technologies week, faculty members that integrate technology in their courses will be encouraged to present. The committee supported the idea to offer a \$150 stipend to faculty. This stipend will be for the preparation of materials. A draft of the “Call for Presentation” form was presented and modified during the meeting. Dr. Abrego will distribute this form this week. Deadline for submissions is October 20, 2017.</p> <p>The proposal to provide a \$150 stipend for selected presentations to cover the preparation of materials was agreed upon unanimously.</p> | <p>Dr. Abrego</p> |
| <p>Blackboard App Campaign</p> | <p>Carlos presented the updated Blackboard app. It is called Blackboard in the Apple and Android store (Pencil with blue background). This app is free for students and includes a new, modern look which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activity stream • Course outline • Assignments • Grades <p>Carlos will find out the possibility to retrieve usage reports for the app. He will give an update in the next DEITC meeting.</p> | <p>Carlos Vallarta</p> |
| <p>Other</p> | <p>Dr. Abrego introduced a Quality Matters Moovly video created in-house by a student worker. The purpose of the video is to explain the QM logo in certified courses. The icon for the video is located below the QM logo inside each QM certified course. It seems that students are not aware of the significance of the QM logo as revealed in the end of the semester QM survey.</p> | <p>Dr. Abrego</p> |

Next meeting will be the on October 30th.

Student Fee Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2017

The Student Fee Advisory Committee met on September 22, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. in KL-270 with the following members in attendance: Francisco Muñoz, Gabriel Martinez, Cesar Camarillo, Consuelo Guzman, Minita Ramirez, Yelitza Howard, Lourdes Vilorio and Juan Castillo. Attending in an ex-officio capacity were: Trevor Liddle, Fred Juarez, Christy Martinez, Denisse Garza and Julie Barrera.

Mr. Castillo began the meeting by welcoming back the previous committee members. Then the new members were introduced and the Committee Charge and Member Term handouts were passed around the table for review.

Next, the current tuition and fee, both variable and fixed rates, were handed out, and Mr. Castillo explained the current tuition and fees. Mr. Castillo explained Texas revenues are down resulting in less money to appropriate to higher education.

After the overview the Appropriations vs. Enrollment handout was distributed and discussed. The committee reviewed the final handouts:

The proposed tuition and fee charts, both variable and fixed rate, were then handed out and discussed. The proposed increase include a 3.7% inflation adjustment based on the higher education price index, or HEPI, per year. Since the variable rate tuition and fees are adjusted annually, the total increase for inflation is 3.7%. Since the rate for the fixed rate tuition is compounded over 4 years, the increase for inflation is 9.6%.

The proposed increase to the student health fee in the amount of a flat \$4.60 per semester was then discussed. It is projected this increase would generate approximately \$22,000.00 which would be used to partially fund additional professional staff in Student Health and/or Student Counseling.

Since the System Office is still providing direction, it was stressed that all rates were still very much preliminary. At the next student fee advisory committee meeting, scheduled for Friday, September 29, 2017 at 11:30 a.m., Mr. Juan Castillo agreed to provide follow up information and review the presentation for the student fee hearings. The committee agreed to conduct three Student Fee Hearings in the Student Center Rotunda on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at 12:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:15 p.m.

Texas A&M International University/ Technology Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda

October 4, 2017

9:00 a.m. KL 253

Meeting Facilitator: Dr. Maria de Lourdes Vilorio

Invitees:

Fran Bernat – COAS,

Hugo Garcia –ARSSBA,

Seong Kwan Cho- COED

Wendy Donnell – CNHS,

Nerissa Lindsey – KL,

Jose Maria (Joe) Gutierrez, University College

President's Appointee, Marvin E. Bennett, III

Trevor Liddle, VP for Finance & Admissions Appointee,

Albert Chavez, VP for IT Appointee

Catarina Colunga, VP for Institutional Advancement Appointee

Gina Gonzalez, VP for Student Success Appointee

Leebrian Gaskins, VP for Informational Technology/CIO, ex-officio

Patricia Abrego, Director of Instructional Technology & Distance Education

Pablo Reyes, Associate Director of User Services

Ricardo Ramirez, Associate Director of Student Information Services

Roberto Gonzalez, Associate Director of Instructional Technology Services

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting which was held on September 6, 2017
- IV. New Business
 - a. Mr. Rogelio Hinojosa, MLS, MSc/Acquisitions Librarian- New York Times Presentation
 - b. Dr. Gaskins U-Connect Update Briefing
 - c. Open Agenda

- a. Mr. Rogelio Hinojosa presented the New York Times data base and Education Component of the New York Times subscription. TAMIU students, and faculty have free access to these academic research and information tools. Dr. Abrego suggested to have more presentations for students and faculty to get the word out during the Learning Technology Week, Twitter or Facebook. Mr. Hinojosa will visit with Dr. Abrego. He also stated that UNIV instructors are using this subscription too.
- b. U-Connect update forthcoming – it is still not complete.
- c. Proposal to consider meeting at a different time due to meeting conflicts. Dr. Viloría will poll the members this week.
- d. Meeting adjourned at 9:45a.m.