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Faculty Senate

2024-2025 Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 3pm – 5pm Zoom Webinar

Community Agreement

The UTRGV Faculty Senate is brought together in the spirit of shared governance to move forward in a positive, open manner for input that allows all stakeholders to speak regarding policy and process. To create a productive environment where everyone's opinions are valued and considered, let us observe the following:

- 1. Try to be on time to the meeting and actively participate*
- 2. Review the pre-reading materials to be discussed, and if you plan to comment have your thoughts organized in advance*
- 3. Assume positive intent, seek to understand, be inclusive, bring productive energy to discussions*
- 4. Only one person speaks at a time (use raise hand feature to be recognized) - chat is not part of the official record (will not be included in the minutes).*
- 5. Respect and acknowledge everyone's opinions, even if they differ from yours*
- 6. Confidentiality: some things shouldn't be repeated outside the meeting*

3:00 – 3:05 pm	Call to order; Parliamentarian report by Dr. Silvia Solis
3:05 – 3:10 pm	Interim Secretary report by Dr. Ruth Crutchfield; November minutes
3:10 – 3:15 pm	Past President report by Dr. Cynthia Paccacerqua
3:15 – 3:25 pm	President report by Dr. Chris Gabler
3:25 – 3:30 pm	President-Elect report by Dr. Sarah Williams-Blangero

3:30 – 3:45 pm	Presentation by Antonia (Toni) Saldivar, COLTT Instructional Development Designer Manager, and Ruben Zamora, COLTT Learning Management System (LMS) Development Manager re: the UTRGV transition to Brightspace LMS
3:45 – 3:55 pm	Q&A with Toni Saldivar and Ruben Zamora
3:55 – 4:05 pm	Report from the Faculty Senate Research Policy Committee by Dr. Sergey Grigorian, Past Chair and Ex-officio Member of the Research Policy Committee
4:05 – 4:15 pm	Q&A with Dr. Grigorian and the Research Policy Committee
4:15– 4:25 pm	Discuss and vote on restructuring Faculty Senate Standing Committees
4:25 – 4:35 pm	Discuss new Standing Committee proposal: Faculty Advising to Resolve Conflicts Equitably (FARCE)
4:35 – 4:40 pm	Discuss draft Financial Exigency Policy
4:40 – 5:00 pm	New business
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