

Meeting Agenda, Notes, Transcripts & Links

Thursday, September 14, 2023

9:00am-11:00am

[Zoom Meeting ID](#): 863 3141 1581

I. Call to Order - 09:04am

Veronica Villarreal, President – calls meeting to order.

II. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum

David Guerra, Secretary - Quorum established with 27 Senators present and 3 Senators not present.

III. Welcome & Introduction

Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senate President

Greets attendees and makes special Thank you to two immediate past presidents

IV. New Business

Staff Senate General Meeting Minutes for February 2023 and July 2023

Veronica Villarreal introduces new business: Approve minutes for February & July 2023

Kelli Quinn moves to table minutes for February 2023 and July 2023.

Rolando Segovia seconds the move to table minutes for February 2023 and July 2023.

Motion passes by majority vote.

V. Guest Speakers

✓ Guy Bailey – President, UTRGV

President Bailey shared appreciation to all staff, faculty, and students for hard work.

Talked briefly about the rankings.

Discussed upcoming (January 2, 2024) pay increase of 2%

Q&A:

from Suzanne Gonzalez re: recent DEI legislation and impact on “equity pay”.

✓ Dr. Luis Zayas, Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. Zayas Introduced himself, shared vision, and need for all to work together.

TOOK QUESTIONS

Melba Latu asks regarding the use of AI

Liza Dimas asks regarding the Clery Act

Chat base questions read by Veronica Villarreal

“we've heard the sav salary Equity adjustments are being put on hold due to the upcoming Merit cycle since Equity adjustments are based on job duties and the years of service of the employee why are we holding back these adjustments due to Merit cycle which should be completely separate?”

✓ Fey Kennan, Fitness and Wellness Coordinator, UREC

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Introduced self, UREC and shared upcoming events and service offerings at UREC
see APPENDIX B for presentation material shared.

TOOK QUESTIONS

- Liza Dimas: Summer Youth program fee & notice
- Krystal Chappell: minimum age for summer youth programs
- Answered by Sabrina Martinez along with other members of Kay’s team.

- ✓ Roberto Cantu - Executive Director Business Auxiliary Services
 - ✓ Luis Guzman & Vianney Abrego – Chartwell
- Presented on the new Dining Services service provider with regards to current and future food service offerings.*
- Presentation material was requested and has not been received as of this date.

TOOK QUESTIONS

Esmeralda Lozano asked question regarding food service at Harlingen location
Edna Zambrano complimented all involved in bringing in Chartwell to UTRGV
Chat base questions read by Veronica Villarreal

VI. Committee Reports

Communications Committee	Constitution & Elections Committee	Business Processes & Staff Support	Staff Success Committee
<u>Chair:</u> Jake Gonzalez	<u>Chair:</u> Yesenia Carter	<u>Chair:</u> Omar Nedzelsky Jr.	<u>Chair:</u> Aliver Lozano
<u>Co-Chair:</u> Cristina Rodriguez	<u>Co-Chair:</u> Krystal Chappell	<u>Co-Chair:</u> Kelli Quinn Melba Cantu	<u>Co-Chair:</u> Lesly Orozco
<u>Members:</u> Jeremy San Miguel Cristina De Leon Kayla Buentello Dina Lopez Melanie Garza Rolando Segovia	<u>Members:</u> Melanie Garza Monica Granado David Guerra Veronica Villarreal	<u>Members:</u> Travis McAlpine James Martinez Jaime Miranda Dr. Mirayda Torres- Avila Van Slusser	<u>Members:</u> Tim Odoms Claudia Garcia Mayra Garcia Jeannette Garcia Dina Guerra Marivel Mata Jose Amieva

All Committees reported by introducing committee members and explained what each committee does and is responsible for.

VII. Public Comments & Questions

- Kelli Quin, Parliamentarian – opens the floor for public comments and questions.
- Carlos Munoz shared information regarding Fine Arts Events
- Eliza Gomez shared information on “Ready UTRGV” (emergency preparedness initiative)

VIII. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn by Rolando Segovia

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Second the Motion by Omar Nedzelsky

Put to vote: Unanimous Vote passes

General Session adjourns at 10:48am Thursday, September 14, 2023.

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APPENDIX A – Transcript (source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yQe6-4OTaI8>)

0:00 Pre-Session chatter
4:17 all right good morning, everyone happy Thursday September 14th
4:22 uh we'll go ahead and kick this meeting off and call it to order at 904
4:46 I think we lost Miss Kelli um I call this meeting to order at 904
4:54 we will proceed with roll call with Mr. Secretary David Guerra
5:03 there it is good morning, everyone good morning welcome and let's get started and of course you
5:09 know it's the first go-around and things happen so one moment let me set hey what happened to my list
5:15 thanks sorry about that David there we go alrighty here we go okay so good morning uh I will now
5:27 begin roll call staff Senators please indicate your attendance by stating I in the zoom chat
5:34 Aliver Lozano Claudia Garcia
5:44 Cristina de Leon Cristina Rodriguez
5:52 Dina Guerra
5:58 thank you Dina Lopez
6:08 Dina Lopez
6:15 Avila
6:21 Jaime Miranda - Jake Gonzalez
6:34 thank you. James Martinez,
6:43 James Martinez
6:51 Jeremy San Miguel
7:02 um Jose Amieva
7:16 thank you Kayla Buentello and I hope I pronounced that correctly Kelli Quinn
7:23 Krystall Chapell
7:28 Leslie Orozco
7:35 Marivel Mata
7:42 Marivel oops oh sorry about that oh okay Marivel Mata
7:52 Mayra Garcia
7:58 Mayra Garcia
8:07 Melanie Garza
8:20 thank you. Melba Cantu thank you Monica Granado
8:31 Omar Nedzelsky Junior
8:37 Rolando Segovia
8:42 Travis McAlpine, Van Slusser thank you Veronica Villarreal
9:00 Yesenia Carter
9:08 Madam President 26 present Quorum is established thank you um David good morning everyone happy
9:18 Thursday, we welcome our Staff Staff Senate General meeting for September 23 2023.
9:24 this is our first meeting of the Academic Year and I'm really excited to be here as your staff
9:29 Senate President before we begin I would like to go ahead and establish new business is there a
motion on the floor for the approval of meeting minutes for February 2023 and July 2023.
9:38 I move to table the meeting
9:49 minutes for February and July 2023
9:55 is there a second a second all those in favor please state AYE in the zoom chat
10:06 all those opposed any abstentions
10:20 the meeting minutes for February and July 2023 have been tabled
before we begin the next part of our agenda I would like to take this opportunity to express
10:27 my heartfelt gratitude to our immediate past presidents Miss Yadira Mejia and
Miss Noellyn Llasos for their invaluable guidance and support during my transition
10:36 into the role of Staff Senate President their leadership and dedication Have
10:45 been instrumental in helping me navigate the complexities and responsibilities of this role
10:52 so I just want to do a quick shout out for them we do have a special guest joining us today

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11:00 Dr. Guy Bailey would like to address the staff and I will let him go ahead and take it away well
11:08 thank you so much I know you have a busy meeting and I'm not going to take but just a few minutes
11:22 uh the primary reason I am joining you today is to thank you for all of your hard work and recently
11:29 you've seen some stories about rankings right you just you saw the Washington monthly rankings uh
11:36 which treat us very nicely by the way those are rankings based on actual performance rather than
11:42 things like status and and how other presidents view you and so forth but it's all actual
11:48 performance it's based on iPad's data so it's all there's no self-reported data it's all objective
11:56 data and so uh and we're very pleased at that and if you wonder why those rankings are so high it's
12:04 because of you I mean you've done a lot of really good work uh over the past eight years right we
12:13 opened our doors eight years ago and uh and so that work is rewarded in that and so uh more than
12:20 anything I wanted to tell you thank you uh we're gonna try to send all of you more information on
12:26 that feel free to use it uh you know make sure kids that you know who are interested in going to
12:34 college see it uh what we offer uh young people in the Rio Grande Valley is a great education
12:43 at a great price you know you don't go into debt here 80 86 percent of our students pay no tuition
12:49 or mandatory fees 80 of our undergraduate students 86 percent want you to think about
12:58 that that that's unheard of and it's way more than anybody else in the uh in the UT system so if you
13:05 if you think about what we've achieved this is you know that this isn't a person this is a university
13:13 working together to achieve it and so uh just think about what this means for our future and uh
13:21 and for all of you you're working at a great place and so uh we're going to try to reward everybody
13:28 too and so as you know I think we announced this that we are looking at a two percent raise and
13:36 this will be uh effective you see it in the January 2nd paycheck um why did we have to
13:43 wait till then to do it well we did a two percent raise last year and we did not hit our enrollment
13:50 targets and so we borrowed against our reserves to do that pay raise now I thought it was important
13:56 enough to continue the problem if you don't do pay raises every year and you don't sustain that you
14:03 fall behind and you never catch up and so when we talked about it we thought it was important
14:08 enough to do last year that we borrowed against our reserves we needed to wait this year to make
14:14 sure we met all of our enrollment targets if you you can't regularly borrow you you
14:20 understand your own personal finances you can't borrow against your reserves forever and so we
14:27 did a good job our enrollment's strong uh and so you'll see that in your paycheck and uh you
14:34 know we've tried over a period of time to do uh Merit to do Equity to do you know a variety of
14:43 things to get our pay up and and then we're also raising our minimum wage is is well and I think
14:51 you read about that too and it's very important uh again if you if you think about what we try to do
15:00 what we try to provide uh competitive wages but the best benefits in the valley and so uh and
15:07 every I hope you're always appreciative of those my wife by the way is many of you know I'm married
15:15 to Val I'm into you and so uh I like to tell people Val is on my insurance because UT system
15:22 insurance is the best you can get right it's there there is nothing better that I know of and so uh
15:29 anyway uh we one of the reasons we when we went through the pandemic we didn't lay anybody off
15:34 um it's because we knew not only did they need this salary but they needed the insurance and the
15:42 benefits and so we we hope we create competitive packages for people that help you live good lives
15:49 and uh again we appreciate very much uh what you do for the institution uh and for the Rio Grande
15:56 Valley so I'm happy to answer any questions you might have I I have a few more minutes and and
16:06 but I don't want to intrude on your time but if you have questions I'm happy to address them
16:14 anyone If This Were faculty Senate I guarantee you they'd have questions so feel free to ask
16:20 I know you're talking Dr Zayas is talking to you later he'll tell you the same thing
16:26 um I would like to just say thank you Dr Bailey one for being here
16:39 um and speaking to us directly um so we appreciate your time I am it is time well spent
16:45 other questions comments
16:54 president Bailey will the um State Dei legislation effect Equity pay in the future free grgv it
17:03 should not at all it should at the Dei legislation will not have a big effect on us now we certainly
17:10 have some organizations I mean some but they're you know they're things that we can deal with I
mean and here's the difference a lot of the DEI philosophical framework and I'm not talking

17:17 about and I think the legislature would tell you they want us to continue all our efforts
17:24 at diversification they they asked me about that all the time and so why are they passing this Dei
17:33 legislation well it's the the DEI that they're thinking about is a philosophical framework
17:38 that primarily is used by exclusive institutions to help deal with their exclusivity now we try
17:48 to we've tried to be inclusive from the very beginning we've tried to our very Foundation
17:53 is our inclusivity right and so that puts us in a little bit different position than UT Austin
18:00 or UT Dallas or or a m because we're based on inclusivity and not exclusivity so um and
18:10 and actually that's what our Washington monthly rankings and demonstrate in part remember one of
the big components in that is the performance of your Pell Grant students our Pell Grant students perform
18:18 it I mean we have the second best performance of Pell Grant students in the United
18:29 States that's everybody that includes Harvard and Yale and everybody else and uh and so we we have
18:37 that because our foundation is inclusivity and not exclusivity so the Dei stuff I mean there
18:44 are some adjustments we have to make yes but does it change fundamentally what we do it is not and
18:52 should not have you shouldn't really see much of an impact same thing is really really true for
18:57 the tenure legislation I don't think faculty will really see very much of an impact there at all so
19:06 thank you sure other questions
19:16 I hi I have a question sure hi uh Suzanne Gonzalez from the career center um kind of piggybacking
19:24 off of what you were saying about the DEI initiative and all that are we still able to teach
19:30 about diversity Equity oh yeah it has nothing to do with what happens in the classroom are in
19:38 your research and so this legislation is really about hiring practice too and and what drove this
19:46 at certain universities in fact Texas Tech was one there were there were in their job ads they
19:55 required and not all of them but in certain job ads they required people to submit a philosophical
20:03 Dei statement and so the legislature became okay and and so the Dei philosophical statement was
one of the things that the legislature was opposed as a requirement for hiring also they wanted uh
20:14 what what they considered non-discriminatory hiring hiring that was race
20:25 gender uh whatever neutral what we try to do is a little bit different we look and I'm talking
20:34 primarily at the vice-presidential level because those are the people I I'm mostly responsible for
20:40 hiring we look for people who are who fit with our community are committed to our communities
20:48 and are willing to be parts of our communities that self-selects I mean if you think about
20:54 this do you want I have a lot of people who tell me yeah I wanna I wanna be part of UTRGV
21:00 can I work remotely from Austin and do that no you can't part of being part of UTRGV is
21:08 being part of the community and if you don't feel that you can be part of the community
21:15 then then you really can't work here that's that's what we're all about is strengthening
21:20 our communities and so to some extent if you focus on trying to strengthen your community and have
21:29 people who want to be part of a community you'll self-select you'll get uh uh and so we we've been
21:37 able to do that in our hiring and uh and we've maintained good diverse hiring across the board
21:44 especially compared to other institutions by simply focusing on on having folks who want to
21:50 be well integrated into our communities so thank you so much for that be clear just to clarify we
21:58 can use Dei in our workshops for career in your Workshop well before and I'm not sure what you're
22:07 doing in your workshops now I'm thinking when you ask a question you said in classrooms and
22:12 so classrooms for workshops and all that yeah now and and depending on what you're doing in
22:18 workshops and training that may be a different matter and so I would consult with Karen Adams
22:24 on that and and you probably ought to have Karen Adams come talk to you specifically about what
22:31 you can do in jaw and training employee training and so forth it may well affect that oh no it's
22:38 it's for the students I'm sorry it's for for the students if you're doing a Sociology class and and
22:45 uh and you talk about Dei stuff that's just part of your instruction awesome okay yeah but but if
22:52 you have questions about is this covered or not covered ask Karen because they're if you in HR
23:00 I don't know if Mike's on or not I am oh yeah Mike it will affect the training that you did
23:08 it will not necessarily affect what happens in the classroom so there's a if there's and sometimes
23:15 that distinction's not as clear as you might think so if you have any questions be sure to ask Karen
23:22 thank you please also keep in mind that we are still getting direction from the UT system as

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23:29 well so a lot of these details are being ironed out as we speak and so there's more to come and
23:36 we will uh stay in communication with you about those uh directives that we're given so thank
23:41 you so much for the question that's right there in fact almost every Monday morning
23:47 we have presidents meetings at 7 00 a.m and we talk about I mean and those are all still
23:52 being the details especially uh of you know how it's involved in training and
23:59 but but it should not affect the classroom or research awesome thank you for your time
24:09 other questions
24:17 thank you so much I appreciate your time I'm gonna let you get back to your regular meeting
and I appreciate you letting me intrude like this thank you so much no thank you so much Dr Bailey
24:23 your presence and active participation we look forward to continue meeting with you
24:32 absolutely I look forward to it as well all right so for moving on back to our agenda
um our first guest speaker of today's meeting he brings with him a wealth of experience and
24:41 expertise gained from his distinguished tenure as the dean of the Steve Hicks School of Social
Work at the University of Texas at Austin he is currently overseeing academic affairs with the
24:51 focus of Student Success as our core priority under his leadership academic Affairs will
25:01 continue striving to identify recruit and retain highly qualified talented and diverse faculty and
25:06 staff members committed to the UTRGV's vision mission values and strategic priorities let
25:12 us welcome our new Provost and Senior vice president for academic Affairs Dr Luis Zayas
25:19 thank you very much thank you very much uh Veronica for the introduction uh and good morning
25:25 to everyone I hope you can hear me well I was uh I was gonna be talking to you from my office this
25:32 morning but um as I look over to my left there's a gusher outside one of my sprinkler heads I don't
25:38 know what happened at gushing so I'm waiting for a plumber to get here he won't fortunately be
25:47 here while I speak to you anyway so thank you very much for having me today it's my first opportunity
to be able to address this group I've met some of you here and there and forgive me if I see you on
campus we've talked before and I don't recognize you remember there's only one of me and hundreds
25:53 of you and there's a lot of faces to uh pull together so I apologize uh for that but anyways
26:04 I want to tell you how delighted I am to be at UTRGV I can't think of a better place to be uh at
26:12
now a t this point in my career and you can see why uh I would come to to UTRGV with the likes of the
26:20 is there oh okay um and so you can see that you know president Bailey is the leader someone that
26:29 uh really inspires me and uh is part of the reason I'm here and um as you heard I'm um I come from
26:38 Austin I was only there for 10 years 11 years as Dean prior to that I was in St Louis Missouri for
26:45 10 years at Washington University in St Louis and before that a total of 34 years in New York
26:51 City where I was at Columbia University then uh later at Albert Einstein College of Medicine and
26:57 then Fordham and I give you that list because I came out of the private higher education sector
27:07 and I was at universities that talked a lot about community and uh you know the relationship between
27:16 the university and community community and giving back and service but really none of them lived the
27:24 that talk then I arrived at UT Austin and I saw the impact and the importance of public higher
27:31 education and what a university Public University needs to do and uh and is doing well and then I
27:38 came to UTRGV and now I know what public higher education means uh more so than ever before and
27:45 I'm proud to be part of it because I think we do know that the population that we serve the region
27:52 that we serve is mighty and it's very important and we've got a lot of just natural Talent uh
27:59 and and drive in our communities that we need to work with uh to the extent that we can we educate
28:06 our students to return to those and of course we want to make it a place that everyone uh is
28:11 happy to be working at and so that's part of what it is to for me to be here at UTRGV and be in
28:18 this part of the world so I'm really delighted uh to to be here and I want to stay stay out
front that you know we could not operate a university no institution can operate with just leaders
28:24 we need staff we need Administration people who actually operate the engines of the of
28:35 the institution they're the ones that keep this ship kind of floating and moving we might have
28:40 ideas about this program or that program let's start this but when it comes to execution you are
28:46 the experts on execution and that's why I think you know you are the engine of the institution
28:53 um and so I'm very grateful for all that you do I've always been very grateful for staff

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29:00 um my father a long time ago taught me to be respectful to everyone around me
29:05 um because they deserved the my my the they had dignity and respect that I should observe
29:10 and I have always lived by that but no matter where you are where you work uh your stature at
29:17 the University so I'm um I'm very proud uh to be here as president Bailey said uh you
know we are a university and we need to work together and that's what I'd like to promote
29:23 um and back to the issue of utr UV also quoting president Bailey he often says you
29:33 know you could take a private university out of its City whether it's uh Emory in Atlanta or
Washington University in St Louis out of St Louis and it'd still be the same University but we could not
29:38 take you to RGB out of the valley it just would not be the same institution
29:49 um our identity is as much rooted in this uh this region as any other and I think we know
29:56 we have a mission that's very special uh and and for that I'm very proud to be here with you
30:02 the I have several priorities actually many but I'm not going to bore you with all of them
30:07 but I'd like to start out with you know the the sense of uh for our students if we didn't have
students we wouldn't be here if there weren't patients doctors would not have hospitals right um
30:14 we're here for them and our our job is to educate them educate them as best we can make
30:25 sure that they have a you know uh uh a a smooth or as smooth as possible uh experience during their
30:32 years with us uh that that makes them feel like they belong and we should serve them as as uh as
30:40 if they belong here which they absolutely do and we want to see those young people uh flourish uh
there's an old proverb that says you know we may be planting the trees uh under which we'll never
30:46 enjoy shade someone else will uh in the future and I think we are planting those trees and
we may not be here to to enjoy the shade that they give us but those those young people are
30:56 going to be uh our Legacy in a sense so I think it's really vital that we we focus on students
31:08 um I'd also like to make uh do my best if you will to make sure that UTRGV is the place you want
to come to work every morning I'd like to have everybody feel that there's a spring in their step
31:15 as they come on campus or to your your offices or wherever you are whether it's Brownsville or
31:25 Edinburg Harlingen anywhere that you are located that you that you want to come here that you want
to be a part of us that you know that we have a mission that we're trying to live by our mission
31:30 uh and that is is vital is vital for us I I will support faculty staff and administration and
31:41 achieving that one of the things I'd like to do particularly with with staff and and I have a long
31:46 history of this is to try to develop our staff and create career Pathways to the extent that we
31:52 can uh we know that there are opportunities for you to get uh education and degrees while your
31:58 employees I think you should take advantage of those uh as much as you you will you are the you
32:04 are the future of this institution and we have to think about the pipeline and the session planning
32:10 none of us will be here in I don't know in 30 years maybe some of you young ones will uh and
um I think we need to be preparing the next set of leaders administrators and staff who will uh
32:16 run this great Institution the other the other issue and you know you've heard a
32:27 lot about this is the B3 uh uh initiative that is the bilingual biliterate bicultural
nature of this institution I had never been in an institution where I feel as comfortable speaking
32:32 Spanish in a meeting as English uh in other institutions you know there was the the the
32:42 the rule part because no there were a few other Spanish speakers but that we can actually behave
32:49 in bilingual bicultural and by liberal ways that perhaps no other institution does or can
32:55 um and in which we are for which we are given license to live that life to live the life that
33:00 uh we know those of us uh whether we're bilingual speakers or Spanish dominant or English dominant
Legacy Spanish speakers it doesn't matter the fact is that we can communicate in the language
33:07 as best suits us at any given time of course our records have to uh uh uh be reflected in
English because there will be people outside of the institution reading them but I think we know
33:18 what we need what we can do here so that's that's really important and I think the the region needs
33:27 us and we can and we need the region and I think by having that uh that access through language and
33:33 culture and literacy uh we can we can go farm uh farther the other thing is you know we talk
about B3 but there's really a B4 and that's the bi-national aspect of it right I have to tell you
33:40 I've never lived near the border in my entire life though I've studied immigration and mental health
33:49 impact on children who are migrating being held in detention separated things like that um but I but
33:55 the life here is phenomenal so I know it probably for you it's it's mundane it's every day but I'm

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34:01 seeing this essential you know kind of traffic if you will between the two countries and I'm just
34:07 fascinated I'm just fascinated by the ease with which we we come and go uh and we refer to Mexico
34:14 as if it was just another neighborhood you know in our community I love that uh and I think that
34:19 really has come to life as I've been here and of course you know it took me a while uh telling my
34:27 kids and my wife hey look look there's plate from Mexico and they're saying Dad this is this is the
34:40 way it is here so you know wake up so I'm getting used to that but to me it's a new thing and
34:45 I and I that I pointed out um finally I wanna I wanna end uh before I I have to take some questions is
34:52 one of the things that's happened in this country perhaps in the past 10 years has
34:58 been the growing incivility among people in organizations I've seen it uh the entitlement
35:05 the people being rude to one another uh not behaving uh as they were neighbors and family
35:11 in a community and I would like to do the best I can to see what we can do to snap that out
35:19 um the the way we can do that is to call it out every time we can every chance we can and I think
35:26 as as a staff Senate you have as much obligation to see that happen as as I do if you see it name
35:31 it point it out gather together uh to make sure that it doesn't happen again um and that's that's
35:39 important it could be anything from from uh crosswords through attitudes and things like
35:46 that that we might find uh uh uh incompatible with the mission of our performance so I hope that we
35:52 can do that and in the process uh maintain a high level of morale at the University so I'm happy
35:58 to be here I'll get to know you and I may even be able to greet You by name on campus but meanwhile
36:09 thank you very much for having me as your Provost uh I as I tell my Deans I work for you um they
36:16 don't believe that they think they work for me but really I'm trying to advance their their causes
36:25 at their their schools be the very best that they can be and that's my job to Showcase my Deans and
36:37 to support them likewise I feel the same way about my staff hours that thank you very much
36:42 thank you Dr Zayas we're going to go ahead and open for questions is there any questions for Dr Zayas
36:50 well let me before you ask that first question um yes I'm from Puerto Rico how many verticals
36:58 do we have out there just a saying you know if anybody makes Amina gandules let me know
37:08 I will definitely buy there you go there is a food truck by the way because I'm a
37:20 huge foodie there is a food track selling Puerto Rican food in the Edinburg near the Arts Annex
37:26 yes Mike I'm pause now right yes I've been there believe me I spoke that out right away
37:31 questions good morning Dr Zayas my name is and um this question on the water I work for facilities
37:37 so I'm worrying about the agasha that you're telling me what is the building that you're looking at oh no
37:46 I'm in my home oh oh I mean this is yeah oh if it was there Jason Hartley
37:52 and his group would take care of that in my home I am the facilities director here at home oh okay
37:59 I was just gonna making sure that the travel will get there okay so I'm sorry I am no no no but I'm
38:05 glad you raised that because I want to tell you how appreciative we are of our folks in facilities
38:11 um you know uh sometimes things happen and we'd like them to get fixed right away sometimes
38:17 it's beyond our control of the control of facilities whether it's an elevator
38:23 that's not working or problems that we've had in Brownsville with Cooling and things like that
38:28 um and I know that Jason is doing his best to get things done uh it's not always easy
38:34 there's everything from the local issues of one building to another and the people uh there uh
38:40 right up to issues of you know supply chain and and things that are needed you know little bitty
38:49 mechanisms that determine whether a thing will work or not then it might take weeks before those
38:59 arrive because of the situation so um I think we I'm learning to be more patient uh uh as
39:05 I told you I'm a New Yorker so I you know I see if there's a New York minute and it's very fast
39:12 um and so I I appreciate what everybody does under the circumstances
39:17 okay thank you sir but they're good there's to show you someone who's on the ball who
asked about which building I'm in because he was going to call it in thank you so much it's great that
desires I have a question for you I have the privilege of working hi Melba over here I don't
know where on your screen you are yeah I didn't either let me see it love a lot too um oh yes
but now I know I have a Facebook yeah yeah student rights and responsibilities so I just wondered
if you know we have this new generation of students coming in and AI is taking over a lot of
Industries and it's worked its way into Academia too and you know for the first time we just had
the semester has just started but our academic Integrity cases are rolling in it's interesting

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39:24 some students are identifying Google as AI just called yes I used AI I Googled it can you just
39:31 make some comment on where you where you see how we handle these these cases we're really gonna
39:37 our office is going to have to work really in in close partnership with with all your folks and
39:44 faculty can you can you give us some indication of where you see this going um you know uh Melba
39:50 I don't want to be the old guy that says all these new these newfangled things of these kids today
39:55 um and what's the world coming to I don't want to be that old man um so I'm looking at it as what
40:00 are the opportunities what are the possibilities for us um it's better to look at that than to look
40:05 at all the negative side not to say there isn't we do know that um it can be it can be uh used
40:12 for for bad and it could be used for for good and one of the things that we will have to work with
40:18 our students is you know how they use Ai and their interaction with the professor because
40:23 not all professors will say no they'll say let's use AI but let's use it responsibly in a way that
40:29 allows you to learn maximally great that's what we need but also be able to catch when
40:36 um when AI is not helping them or when those who perhaps don't want to do the
40:42 task fully uh then engage with AI to you know do the parts that they should be doing that's I
40:50 think we'll need to catch and I do believe that there are people working in AI who will help us
40:56 with that um I I know that the University of Texas systems office is deeply immersed
41:02 in looking at this because it's not just us I mean it's around it's around the country and we've
41:12 all heard stories of how you know uh uh uh chat GPT has been doing things and how AI can
41:21 construct a even even a court case sometimes not even citing laws that don't even exist so
41:30 um we do know that there are lots of great minds and and uh and people of Integrity looking at
41:38 that so remember that's that's all I can I can say at this moment but I do think
41:44 I'd like to see how we can use it to improve our world and our lives thank you thank you very much
41:50 we do have another question come in and they said we've heard the sav salary Equity adjustments
42:01 are being put on hold due to the upcoming Merit cycle since Equity adjustments are
42:07 based on job duties and the years of service of the employee why are we holding back these
42:15 adjustments due to Merit cycle which should be completely separate
42:27 oh uh you know that's that's more that's more of a question for president Bailey and uh and
42:37 and uh Chief Financial Officer uh Mueller this that's I'm not sure you know so I can't answer
42:48 that I'd love to but I think that's that's a question that President Bailey could probably uh handle in
43:03 a future meeting with you thank you for that Dr Zayas uh Miss Lisa Dimas
43:09 yes hi um I'm Lisa I am the query compliance coordinator um I report to RVP Jason Hartley and
43:16 um I just kind of wanted to introduce myself because I've always had a really good working relationship
43:22 with with our previous Provost and academic Affairs um I'm always given and
43:33 provided a contact there to um uh really kind of be connected with your office and and where
43:42 our students are are um taking classes and and you know where we're owning and controlling properties
43:48 um to be able to be in compliance with the clery act so I just wanted to say hello
43:55 um I hope that the other universities that you listed were clear Act was was uh prevalent there
44:01 and you know there's there's some knowledge about about the importance of the of the law and so
44:12 um I am solely responsible for all the compliance for the Cleary act so um nice to meet you and I'm
44:18 sure we'll be in contact yes and thank you for your service
44:25 um I do hope that you can say in a few years once I'm gone that yeah I've worked with that Provost
44:32 and it was good working with him let's let's make sure we do that the two key people
44:38 at in my office will be David Granado of course my deputy and Monica Garcia Ramirez my my uh
44:48 my associate uh executive associate who are really great people and on the ball and so
44:55 um they they they are to me what you are to the university they keep me my engine going
44:01 in the right direction without them I think I might be lost so thank you Lisa thank you
44:12 any other questions for Dr Zayas
44:18 well um I have a question for you uh Veronica do you meet in person ever
44:25 um that is something that I do want to do um as a goal for staff Senate this year so this is the
44:32 first one the first meeting uh of the Academic Year so we'll see what that looks like and we'll
44:38 be planning um something soon in person very well well I hope you'll invite me because I would like
to be there in person it's always better to really get to know the people in the

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44:47 room and share the oxygen there with you whether it's Edinburg or Brownsville if you alternate
44:52 meeting places I get to Brownsville once a week um so I hope that I can get to know all of you in
44:58 person so thank you very much for having me I'm off to my next meeting thank you best thank you
45:07 up next we have the Fitness and Wellness coordinator from urac
45:13 uh Miss uh let's welcome Miss Fay Kennen to the staff Senate meeting
45:20 hi everybody I'm going to go ahead and share my screen see
45:34 all right you know everybody see my screen
45:40 yes we can awesome good morning everyone my name is Faye Cannon and I'm going to
45:46 be talking to you a little bit about you Rec and a little bit about the events that are coming up
45:51 so let's start so let's talk about our
45:59 um our facilities students and members have access to both campuses we have the Brownsville campus
46:06 and we also have the Edinburg campus so as long as people come in with their ID they would have
46:13 a full access to the facility you have to be a student or a Europe member we also have Sabrina on
46:21 um in the meeting in case you guys have any membership questions for her
46:28 and here are the membership pricing there's different options for everyone we have rates
46:35 for faculty staff alumni and if you you have different options you can have a
46:42 Seven-day punch card you can do monthly payments or you can do an annual payment
46:49 and I'll give you a minute to look at those options
46:57 so at our Edinburg location we do have a partnership with activity health so if you are eligible through
47:08 prime or silver sneakers you're able to bring that membership
47:14 card to our facility and have uh access for free Prime is a program for 18 plus
47:20 and silver sneakers is a 50 plus program and you can always check the back of your insurance card
47:28 and call your insurance carrier to see if you are eligible for any of these services
47:36 so our facilities we have a range of of options we have locker rooms we have lounging areas
47:42 multi-purpose courts indoor track this is the indoor track is fantastic if you don't
47:48 want to be running outside in the in the hot sun you come in here it's a lot of fun
48:00 we also offer a lot of programming we have Aquatics competitive Sports Outdoor Adventures and
48:05 my jam is Fitness so I'll be going a little bit into detail with this
48:11 we do offer personal training and we have a variety of services we have
48:19 Fitness assessments we have three different personal training packages they range from
48:25 three sessions uh all the way to 20 sessions depending what your goal is
48:31 we also have group fitness classes we have two Studios upstairs at University
48:37 recreation in Edinburg Studio One is an option where you can come in in person and
48:44 take the class or you can log in with your UTRGV credentials and live stream the class
48:52 from the comfort of your home through Zoom Studio 2 would just be in person
48:58 and all this information is online so feel free to to visit our website
49:03 we are currently um getting everything set up for our group fitness classes
49:08 to start this fall in Harlingen so we're going to have boot camp and we're going
49:15 to have yoga the dates are listed on on here and those are going to
49:21 be held at the Harlingen Auditorium and we're really excited about this
49:27 we also offer Fitness Outreach Services so let's say you're hosting a special event and you want
49:34 to have a yoga instructor come in or a zoom instructor come in you can definitely reach
49:43 out visit our website and put in a request for an instructor to come into your event
49:50 or you can use our facility as well upcoming we have our Suma dance party and wellness Expo
49:56 you'll be hearing about this
50:09 once October comes around we're going to be offering this this event at our all three
50:19 campuses in Harlingen October 17 Brownsville October 18 and Edinburg October 19th it's a
50:28 different time so please make sure whichever uh event you're attending that you check the time
and location and we will be having different um and different partners on campus Partners
disseminating information about the services that they offer but this event is focusing on
spraying Awareness on breast cancer prevention
at the University we also hire a lot of student employees so these are the

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50:34 areas where we hire if you have uh you know students that might be interested in getting an
on-campus job these are the areas where we hired
50:46 and here's a short video
50:57 thank you
52:00 foreign earlier you can visit our website to get all this good information you
52:10 can also follow us on our social media and here's the information
52:17 thank you thank you Faith does anybody have questions for faith
52:26 you can also find my contact information right here um you can email me you can call me
52:31 any questions I have a quick question this is Lisa again sure um I'm just wondering
52:37 do you do you know if the wreck is going to offer any like discounts for summer programs
52:43 like for summer camps for kids we do have a summer camp program during the summer months
52:52 for youth I believe and it might be on the line right now so she can give you more information
53:00 but there usually is it is my understanding there usually is a discount forum University uh staff
and faculty like if you want to bring your child to the summer youth program right that's that's
53:08 what I was asking yeah I called Summer and I they didn't have I guess I got the wrong
53:18 Information but I'll check with her and ask you said who was that so you can um contact either
um for the summer youth program you can there are several people you can contact UM Ami is
53:25 one of the uh persons and also art Cabrera okay we still have a lot of time I just I can send
53:37 you my location thank you oh noted down and I'll send you the information sounds good thank you I
53:45 think uh really quick this is Sabrina Martinez I oversee uh memberships and reservations at ubreck
53:51 um as far as discounts for our summer program so for both our summer youth camp and our learn to
53:57 swim lessons there is a discount uh for those who are uart members so that would be faculty
54:02 and staff that hold a York membership whether that's a month membership or an annual membership
54:12 Foreign
54:19 we do have a question I'm sorry um we do have a question it says does the insurance cover
54:25 any of the training programs so the insurance um the ones that we covered prime or silver
54:33 sneakers only covers your membership it does not cover the personal training
54:45 any other questions for the youth summer camps how young and this is Crystal sorry
54:54 um what's the age start age Crystal um Ami says 6 to 11 years old okay thank you
um we do have another question are the online sessions for Members Only
55:11 so for group fitness classes um the ones that I showed you earlier for Studio One
those are live streamed through zoom and as long as you have UTRGV
55:20 credentials you have access to that whether you're faculty staff student
55:31 another question came in are the fees a flat rate or do they include taxes at the time of payment
55:38 Sabrina would you like to answer that question
55:44 uh yes um there are taxes on top of that rate
55:49 thank you and then we have another question is prime only in adamberg
55:56 that um the partnership activity health is only with your our Edinburg campus yes
56:08 alrighty any other questions
56:14 all right well thank you guys feel free to reach out anytime I will put my
my email and contact information on the chat so feel free to reach out with any Fitness questions
56:19 or University recreation questions thank you alrighty thank you Fay
56:29 up next we welcome the executive director of auxiliary Business Services the general
56:34 manager and the director of marketing Mr Roberto Cantu miss Mr Luis Guzman and Ms Vianney Abrego
good morning everybody we're super grateful that you all gave us an opportunity to be here to present
56:46 to you all today um
56:57 Services I am um I report to uh Lati Benavides who is the uh associate vice president of Campus
57:05 auxiliary services and she reports to Mr our executive uh vice president of finance and
57:12 business Affairs Mr Michael Mueller so we're very excited to be here today we have uh had some great
57:21 changes over the summer and I'd like to go ahead and start our our presentation we had a transition
57:27 in our Dining Services Program over the summer and we're we're happy to welcome Chartwells uh
57:34 as our new Food Services operator for our UT RGV campuses and to better serve our students

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57:42 um I'll go ahead and
57:47 see here
57:53 okay super so are Dining Services transition uh was uh comprised of a competitive bid process that
58:03 was managed through our UTRGV procurement office um the previous operator had the contract for over
58:10 20 years so um we um we had a very inclusive bid process that uh we had representation from
58:22 many stakeholders from throughout campus we had uh stakeholders from Student Government Association
58:28 strategic enrollment in student affairs campus facilities operations Athletics UMC and of
58:36 course campus auxiliary Services the uh contract that was awarded to trot wolves was for 10 years
58:43 and uh Chartwells the previous operator their operations ended on July 16th and on July 17th
58:54 we had Chartwells come onto campus it has been uh quite a transition over a very short period of
59:02 time we had to have new venues new employees new processes in place before August 28th so it has it
59:12 was uh you know a challenge it was uh something that we saw as a great opportunity and we knew
59:20 um all of the different stakeholders knew that a well-designed Food Services Program is extremely
59:27 important for our students to make sure that they belong uh that they feel like they belong
59:32 on campus to make sure that they're making those connections with other students and
59:43 they're connecting with the Campus Community we're very much committed to the University's goals of
59:49 kind of creating a different type of Campus environment we want a more traditional campus
59:56 where we have more students on campus that'll be able to you know grow we've got a lot of also
1:00:07 um you know supporting the universe he also has a lot of employment opportunities for our
1:00:13 students that will help them keep uh stay on campus not have to mess with their parking and
1:00:23 also that'll help them grow and achieve their academic goals and help them graduate on time
1:00:31 um so um we have about 14 slides that we want to present um Mr Luis Guzman is our
1:00:40 general manager he oversees all Dining Services operations across our campuses and uh he's got
1:00:45 extensive uh experience in dining services and food services and his last job was with HEB so
1:00:54 he's a seasoned professional and we're glad to have him apart as part of our team we've had
1:01:05 incredible also support from Chartwells higher education in going through this transition so
1:01:10 um I would like to move on to our next slide and uh Luis are you on yes sir I am on good
1:01:16 morning everyone uh thank you for having us my name is Luis Guzman the second I'm very excited
1:01:21 and happy to be here with you all with Chartwells as the general manager of UTRGV Dining Services
1:01:26 uh just to highlight one of our concepts of the Vaquero dining hall um the Vaquero dining hall
1:01:32 will be featuring Social House it'll be the Social Hub on campus the Social House manuals will bring
1:01:38 trending flavors social media inspired dishes new flavors and mashups uh it'll be bright Airy and
1:01:48 vibrant with pops of colors that'll complement the UTRGV orange uh our new serving line and a 12 foot
1:01:57 added salad bar that'll increase our healthy food options these changes are coming in a winter of
1:02:07 2023 so look out for some new Aesthetics for the dining hall along with some new Concepts that are
1:02:13 going to be inside internally currently we have some new menu tablets called wand they display
1:02:19 some nutritional information for our students and anyone who comes through our doors and then
1:02:27 something that we're very excited about we're offering continuous service which will maximize
1:02:33 the flexibility to fit our student employee schedule so before the previous provider there
1:02:38 were gaps in between service we no longer have that we have full service uh continuous from 7 30
1:02:43 in the morning to 8 o'clock on on during the week and then starting at 10 30 on the weekends through
1:02:49 uh eight o'clock as well uh DNA are you on our marketer yes here I am I'm vinay Abrego I am the
1:02:55 marketing director for dining services and we're super excited to see what you guys are gonna
1:03:01 um know and like learn today here we'll be talking about our markets we have them both
1:03:10 at the Edinburg and the Brownsville campus so the Market's going to offer a flexible retail space
1:03:19 that creates a dynamic customer experience with a blend of operational digital and physical elements
so soon we'll be having the just pick kiosk this kiosk will be offering a 24 7 Hot Food
Service where students are able to you know go to one side of Campus instead of having to
travel all the way to the Student Union or to El camador here we'll be offering 24 7 baked food
A New Concept we're excited about the Student Union of formerly known as burgundy spuds is
called Revolution noodle Revolution noodle allow customers to customize made to order
rice bowls using different proteins produce and addition to traditional and authentic Asian dishes

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something we're very excited about it just shipped the last week it should be here hopefully by the end of next week we're going to be uh implementing a new Japanese noodle machine we'll be making in-house ramen noodles on campus at the Student Union and eventually we're making our own bras made from scratch in-house as well so really excited about this New Concept definitely stop by and give it a try next we have Tico formerly known as burgers and sweaters as well here we're bringing UTRGV any bird campus a diverse menu of teas that quenchy bought a wide range of pallets so we offer our fresh cheese our milk teas and as well as our blends inside the the market store at the Student Union we have a Vaquero Subs formerly known as sub connection at Vaquero Subs customers can get one of our signature subs and customize their very own sandwich wrap or even try are very very very good chicken salad so formerly known as Starbucks we have Rio Bell Cafe this is here at the Edinburg Student Union campus will be offering an enhanced coffee experience to the Student Union bringing a selection of locally sourced pastries and desserts from local bakeries Brio Bravo will also feature high quality locally roasted coffee fairly sweet and savory menu of Cafe favorites Luis would you care to elaborate a little bit on um what we're doing to Source locally um I think that's something important definitely so uh right now we've partnered with Las Morenita's Bakery here in Edinburg uh we have a sweet and savory pastry selection that our guests can choose from and then we we capture some data we'll be minimizing that menu down and some of the menu items will be back as limited time offers and we're currently in process of talking to the roast house in Brownsville uh to Source a locally roasted Coffee Bean so that meeting is coming up soon with their general manager so definitely excited to hopefully be able to bring that to our clients here I mean to our guests here at University of Rio Grande Valley so the community Corner uh we believe that uh local businesses within the Valley's vibrant dining scene should be deeply embedded in the culture at UTRGV with the community Corner we'll Bridge the community with UTRGV by introducing a culinary concept that rotates local restaurants we have currently partnered with pineapple ninjas to serve delicious local favorites like chilaquiles for breakfast or fajita nachos for lunch uh very excited those those guys are doing a really great job I definitely recommend their texas-sized burrito it's hearty portioned here we're talking about Heritage Coffee also was formerly known as Jasmine's Cafe at Heritage guests will be able to enjoy coffee proudly roasted by local coffee roasters who believe UTRGV deserves rich in Tradition and flavor in addition to craft coffee and cold brew Heritage will also be featuring a locally sourced pastries and desserts from local bakeries here will also be offering smoothies which we just implemented as well as breakfast sandwiches so you guys are able to enjoy by the library then so Valley Harvest uh locally no formerly known as sandelas so Valley Harvest will be about celebrating the Bounty of the valley and building menus that create a stage for local produce and Growers to shine working closely with the Hub of prosperity, the UTRGV center for sustainable agriculture and Rural advancement and the UTRGV agronomy program we want to bring a concept that truly blossoms from partnership and education around a sustainable food system Valley Harvest will feature a fruteria and fresh juices we're currently getting ready for the grand opening the date will be soon will be announced and will hopefully kick it off with a farmers market outside Valley Harvest so crave is a new addition that we will having in Spring 2024 this is going to be at the school of medicine it's a new Innovative concept that can deliver many Cuisine options cooked survey style to guests in four minutes or less this is a perfect solution for busy faculty and staff as well as students is inclusive partnership that crave kitchen offers diners the opportunity to select from various fast food casual Concepts and covers multiple day Parts on a tick Savvy ordering kiosk our absurd bird concept formerly known as the grill uh throwback Chicken Shack experience absurd bird delivers big both flavors are chefs created absurd bird with a menu designed to satisfy your hunger from morning to evening each piece is hormone free and antibiotic-free chicken fried in trans-fat free canola oil our

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1:08:09 chicken can be dipped into your choice of unique sauces such as Vaquero sauce
Sola Mesa formerly known as sub connection it invites students around the table to
1:08:15 share conversations enjoy delicious meals that remind of the poem La Mesa will bring
a rotating menu introducing different special entrees each meal period with
1:08:25 authentic and diverse recipes La Mesa will be the comfort food destination
1:08:39 so we're very very excited with our UTRGV enhanced game day experience we've upgraded
1:08:45 our menu at our concession stands we now have a self-serve Kiosk for GrubHub
um this allows shorter waiting time for those who are attending the games we are also featuring
1:08:50 local Brewers for a 5x5 Brewing Los paqueros beer and in the last two games we've served
1:09:01 over a thousand fans in each of the games of the volleyball season for 2023 um pretty soon we'll be
1:09:06 kicking off a order from your seat option with GrubHub and those details will be coming soon
1:09:17 I'm sorry B go ahead here we have our catering services information so our Canadian director
1:09:24 is Maxine her contact information is here she's more than happy to help you guys with any of your
1:09:29 events we've recently hosted like our bucket of Roundup our picnic with the president that
1:09:34 we had on Tuesday in Edinburg and we have today for Brownsville uh all your payments
1:09:40 can be made in cater tracks and if you have any questions feel free to reach out to Elva or Maxine
so some additional dining features that we have is our mobile ordering so for students
1:09:49 who may be running late to class or they still want their morning coffee it's not a problem uh
you'll be able to order Your Favorite Beverages and meals straight from your phone just download
1:09:58 the GrubHub app and skip the line at all your favorite Campus Dining locations those should
hopefully kick off this coming Monday is what we're shooting for this weekend we have GrubHub
1:10:06 installing all the topics across campus this weekend and something we're really excited
about is our mastian this technology is an installation of frictionless self-checkout
1:10:14 that mastian has been successfully installed here at Edinburg and at Brownsville campuses
We have replaced one existing micros POS with a matching POS at the Edinburg Stadium Union
1:10:24 Market and Brownsville the average checkout time is on 150 test transactions it's just under 16
seconds and the great thing about matching is as we continue to capture more data of our
1:10:35 checkouts we'll get down that checkout time to under 11 seconds per transaction very exciting
so here are just some QR codes so you guys can meet the whole director team
1:10:49 we have some QR codes also for our hours so you guys know what's open what's closed
as well as our menus so you guys always know what we're serving at the dining hall instead
1:10:57 of you know having to go inside and check we have that QR code ready for you guys to use
1:11:10 foreign
1:11:16 we can get social with our utr UV dining um stay in the know with all things and follow
us on social media uh don't forget to tag us in your photos to be featured on our feeds
1:11:22 throughout the semester also we have text to chat we're here for you anytime text to
chat is our text messaging program that'll allow you to privately message our dining
1:11:30 team with questions comments about your dining experience and get real-time feedback try it
1:11:38 today by texting 956-405-6414 for Edinburg and 956-405-6436 for Brownsville and we are here for
1:11:47 you anytime you can leave feedback ideas or ask questions at www.dynoncampus.com backslash UTRGV
1:11:56 could you elaborate please uh Luis or Vianney on the like or don't like kiosks that
1:12:03 you all have uh placed uh so in both of our dining Halls we have
1:12:10 um what's called happy or not so happy or not is a large uh tablet at the exits of our dining halls
1:12:18 and it allows us to capture real-time data for our guests who enter the dining hall as they
1:12:24 leave they either click on a happy face on a face that's not so happy a face that's kind of medium
1:12:30 and face kind of sad so they're not happy and then that data sent out to US Weekly and at pinpoint
1:12:36 and drills down down to the exact time so we can literally find out where we might have dropped the
1:12:41 ball or where business was really good and that helps us hold us accountable all those responses
are recorded sent out to graphs and that is shared with the team by V weekly so then we take
1:12:47 that data and use it to enhance our operations by whether it's adding more staff maybe change
uh taking a look at the menus for that specific time period all in all is pretty much the whole
1:12:58 our team accountable to give you all the proper service and dining experiences you all deserve
1:13:07 super I have a quick question is that allowed yes please um Luis and Vianney

1:13:15 I'm at the Harlingen campus and what I can say is that this is a Transit point for um undergrad
1:13:26 students and even some professors and uh that I know that the number of students
1:13:38 who are catching the shuttle to Edinburg or to Brownsville has increased there's always a couple
1:13:47 hundred students here and I think a little kiosk maybe twice a week um with coffee or
1:13:59 you know um your new restaurant that replaced Jazz something or other jazz cafe or something would be
1:14:08 um really well responded it would help your revenues and provide some much-needed caffeine
1:14:17 and something to grab and go for the students um I think it'd be while you're well worth your time to
1:14:27 maybe look into that because there's hundreds of students who catch the bus here every day
1:14:39 thank you yes ma'am actually I'm on my um I'm headed to the presidential page in Brownsville
1:14:45 as soon as this call is over and on my way back I thought with Robert yesterday I plan to stop
1:14:52 by the campus uh do some little bit of research and uh partner with the team here to see what
1:14:57 we can do to get something out there for you all as soon as possible yeah a better idea
1:15:10 might be if you join us like at maybe 7 15 in the morning is when you see a huge amount of students
1:15:15 waiting to catch that shuttle but thank you so much appreciate your time yes ma'am thank you
1:15:23 thank you very much for that we we have seen a 37 increase in ridership from our students
1:15:31 um Harlingen is a huge Park and Ride population um so but the school of Podiatry is extremely
1:15:36 important to us we are aware of uh accreditation that there that is uh on the horizon for them
1:15:44 um and it's really important that we get a good mix of services for uh the folks
1:15:56 from the school of Podiatry and of course the residents that use that and uh other school
1:16:03 of medicine employees that that do occupy that space so we appreciate that feedback
1:16:13 thank you for that um Robert we have a couple of questions I'm not sure if there's more to
1:16:18 the to the presentation um I think this was it okay um I just want to double check yeah
1:16:29 and the first question was with absurd absurd bird now in Brownsville does that mean no more burgers
1:16:36 no we're still offering a burger menu at the Absurd bird it was actually added back uh our
1:16:42 burgers around it back last Friday last Friday great thank you and then um did the prices
1:16:52 change for lunch I'm not sure if that's just for all of the dining options or um specific
1:17:03 um dining so nice I mean with different menus there there would be different pricing
1:17:09 um as far as um increases um we are extremely uh sensitive to our students we realize that a lot of
1:17:16 our students you know are on financial aid many of them may not have a lot of disposable income
1:17:25 so price point is something that's really important to us that's something that we've discussed with
1:17:31 Chartwells something that is uh definitely at the top of their mind or top of
1:17:37 their list those important topics uh when it comes to building menus pricing them out and
1:17:43 uh you know offering the best value for our students on campus thank you for that another
1:17:49 question is are there any dining reward programs for staff for students or even employee discounts
1:17:59 that's released so I've been aware that there's a employee meal plan that's coming soon it should
1:18:06 be discounted uh details are to Come As We Gather more information we'll be sharing that with you
1:18:12 all as soon as we have it definitely and uh our team with auxiliary Business Services has
1:18:17 built they've worked with our I.T uh to to be able to offer um meal plan purchases through
1:18:22 um uh payroll deduction so that's something you know sometimes a meal plan for the entire semester
1:18:30 will be several hundred dollars well we've we've gone ahead and worked with different team members
1:18:36 to be able to offer that through payroll deduction and that way it'll be able to you know kind of uh
1:18:41 spread out uh the the cost of that meal plan great thank you thank you for that another
1:18:48 question that came in is Will Brownsville campus have the salad bar and sub sandwiches as an option
so to my understanding the Vaquero Subs could be an option in the near future as early as 2024 2025
school year um that is something we're continuing to enhance our dining options in Brownsville as
as the semester goes on um but right now that's what we're as I was told when I first came on
uh you know seven weeks ago that and within the next year or two there would be a avocado sub at
the Brownsville campus so I would like to add to that is uh definitely the dining program uh
we're going to be having changes and construction over the next two and a half to three years so it
is going to be a comprehensive program that we will be implementing for our students so
there will be changes uh throughout the the Edinburg Harlingen and Brownsville campuses
um but it is a multi-year program uh so um you know we're looking for bigger and

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1:18:54 better uh things for our students and of course for our staff and faculty
1:19:00 another one um I mean this could be tying into that last question are there v-card pay plans in
1:19:06 the future or currently I mean definitely if individuals have the the get program
1:19:15 um if you go to my.UTRGV.edu you can go to the bottom and you'll see the get button you click
1:19:22 on the get and you can manage your uh the one card account through there you can purchase uh V bucks
1:19:29 or Dining Dollars you can check your balances you can also download your uh 2D barcodes so that way
1:19:35 if you uh you know need access control uh or your building requires access control and you forgot
1:19:42 your ID you can download the app and use that to enter your building through your mobile phone
1:19:47 some feedback that I received is some of the students are saying prices are too high for
1:19:54 them the cheapest food on campus used to be three dollars now shows at five I'm not sure if you're
1:20:01 receiving that feedback on the on the tablets or if they could write in comments and another
1:20:09 question that came in is can you elaborate on the big machine at the engineering building
1:20:18 real exciting I I mean I think that one of the reasons that that um Chartwells was selected as
our partner uh there were many reasons right and there was an evaluation Matrix that each
1:20:25 one of the committee members filled out was their use of technology and um one of one of the pieces
1:20:36 of technology that they're going to be employing is the uh just baked machines we're going to have
1:20:41 one at uh the Brownsville music building and we're also going to have one at the engineering building
1:20:49 here in Edinburg and that it's gosh it's a large, huge oven is basically what it is and
1:20:57 um so we we pre uh stock that with up to 150 different menu items whether it be pizzas
1:21:05 or cheeseburgers or lava cakes uh you know for desserts so it's gonna offer a lot of flexibility
1:21:13 in the type of menu off option uh menu options that are going to be offered through there and
1:21:19 we're going to be tweaking obviously looking to see what moves and I also want to mention that
1:21:25 getting feedback the text to chat the doc feedback all of those things those platforms are designed
1:21:34 to allow us to capture you know that student feedback so that'll allow us the flexibility
1:21:39 to go and like say for the just bake machine tweak our menus uh change out the offerings
1:21:45 and also with our with our different venues throughout our campuses whether it be absurd
1:21:50 bird one of the things that we've appreciated from Chartwells has been also their ability to change
1:21:57 out menus uh pretty quickly being flexible we think and Nimble is extremely important
1:22:04 um you know we want to make sure that we are satisfying our students I mean that's our
1:22:09 our goal here that whether for our students our jobs I mean we wouldn't exist on campus
1:22:14 right we wouldn't have jobs so it's really important that we do receive that feedback and
1:22:20 um all of the feedback that we receive within 24 hours Luis or you know we help support providing
1:22:28 um responses to any feedback that we do receive from our students or employees
1:22:36 thank you, another question is how accommodating would the menu be for,
1:22:41 catering services to meet the department needs when it comes to catered events
1:22:48 so Maxine and her team have done a great job of accommodating people with special requests in
1:22:56 our you know nine weeks on campus any questions or concerns about any type of event feel free to
to reach out to myself or Maxine and we can definitely work with you and the department
1:23:03 to make sure you're a dining experience for that catering event is you know up to your standards
1:23:13 thank you Luis is there a way to get gift cards to people such as staff students Etc yes there is
1:23:22 um we could do it through the V1 Card office Mr Homer Villalobos Melissa Ramirez
um there are team members part of the auxiliary Business Services we'd be more than happy
1:23:30 to issue out uh gift cards to individuals or to departments that want to give them out to individuals
1:23:41 um one thing that I forgot to mention earlier during the presentation was we had to turn
1:23:46 things around on campus not all of our venues are fully built out yet we still have a lot of
1:23:53 work to do but we did have to create a very quick turnaround um and during during this transition
1:24:01 um we would not have been able to do it without the folks at our facilities
1:24:08 um whether it be the electricians the plumbers our comp our Carpenters our general Services
1:24:14 um all of those people um oh I can't forget networking either because they've done an
incredible job also to help us make sure that we have all of the registers all the credit card machines
1:24:20 and everything ready um these individuals if we didn't have you know
1:24:31 their support now that this would have been um none of this would have been able uh to be

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1:24:36 accomplished in the really short the time span that we had so we want to make sure
1:24:42 that we acknowledge these individuals they've been super and we're grateful for their work
1:24:50 thank you um another question is um will the Brownsville campus have additional food options in
1:24:57 the future the custom custom Ramen sounds awesome and would be something our students would enjoy
again just to kind of echo what Robert said earlier there's options that are coming within the
1:25:06 next two to three years there's construction that needs to be done
even as early as this winter break so we'll be definitely looking forward to enhancing the dining
1:25:13 experience for the students faculty and staff at the Brownsville campus great great seeing
1:25:31 um I think that's pretty much all the questions we have
1:25:40 um there is comments about the event lines being too long just to impede I guess access to some of
1:25:49 the uh like food vendors I know that the picnic with the president was yesterday at the Edinburg
1:25:56 campus and today is going to be at the Brownsville campus is there any way that that can be managed
1:26:01 so that way students that are not necessarily attending the picnic with the president
1:26:06 um be serviced at the dining options just depending on where they're at
1:26:17 yes go ahead Robert I'm sorry I I it sounds like traffic you know management I don't know
um stanchions or I don't know how you know how to handle that um I mean I I think you served
1:26:25 over 1500 people at the picnic
1:26:36 for the president on Tuesday and sometimes you know our facilities can accommodate that many
1:26:41 people um so I mean we try our best to try and handle that traffic uh to make sure that
1:26:47 we're serving everybody um you know that who's not going to be in line for the picnic with the
1:26:53 president you know to be able to access you know any of the other venues that we have on campus
1:27:00 we're almost looking for that is there any other questions
1:27:05 hi can y'all hear me this is Edna Zambrano from the Student Union Yes we can hear you
1:27:13 I just I just wanted to uh thank auxiliary services and commence Chartwells uh we witnessed
1:27:21 firsthand how quickly they had to turn around everything from POs to all of their technology
1:27:27 and all of the equipment switch out I mean it was it happened very very quickly and I think
it was very unprecedented so I do want to thank them for that and I also want to keep encouraging
1:27:33 the staff like they mentioned they have all these applications to take this feedback and
1:27:43 encourage students to do that as well I have seen some comments on social media which is students
1:27:49 favorite way of giving us feedback but it would be you know much more effective if they went on
1:27:54 those apps and that way it goes directly to Chartwell they have a number of people that
1:28:00 get them instantly so they can redirect something very quickly versus you know they put it on other
1:28:06 platforms the other thing when you were talking about the get app Robert uh it is such a great app
1:28:12 if you're if any of the staff have not downloaded it I encourage you to do that you can add your
1:28:18 own Dining Dollars on there so you put in your credit card the other feature that I liked is I
1:28:23 had somebody I heard somebody ask about gift cards you don't have to do that you can actually gift
1:28:29 people V bucks from your own account so you just I think you need I think you need their ID number
1:28:36 so if you have a co-worker or you know a staff member uh that you want to reward or give them a
you know a birthday gift instead of giving them a Starbucks gift card or something like that you can
1:28:42 give them v-bucks uh from your app it's really really easy to do it I've done it at Christmas
1:28:53 and it's been really nice and staff appreciate it because you know you always know you have it on
your phone and if you want coffee or something you can you know you have money loaded on
there and it's you know it's a nice gift to have so I highly encourage everybody to download the
1:28:58 app thank you
1:29:08 thank you for the kind words Edna Edna for the same we appreciate you can you repeat
1:29:14 the name of the app I'm sorry get the ET yes I don't know if Homer's on on the call now
1:29:28 well thank you so very much for taking the time to meet with us and meet with the staff
1:29:35 um if there's no further questions oh look um Miss Ashley de la Garza um put the link
1:29:42 on the chat for those thank you so much um so we appreciate the invitation uh we'd like
1:29:49 an opportunity to to speak to the Senate again in the future um once you know maybe
1:29:54 next semester uh when we have uh you know some some more news some more updates uh but we're
1:30:01 very excited about our partnership and we're we're really excited about you know what we're

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going to be able to do to the student experience for our students on campus so we appreciate it

1:30:13 well thank you so very much um continuing with our agenda we will be moving over to

1:30:20 the committee reports I will hand it over to the communications committee chair Mr Jake Gonzalez

1:30:28 thank you, madam president um, can everyone Hear Me by any chance yes great so for the communication

1:30:34 committee report I would just like to give the uh Senators just a quick little word for the website

1:30:40 revamp we are in the process of you know updating the website with our Uh current staff Senators for

1:30:47 this year um as well as you know the per photo So for anybody that hasn't submitted a professional

1:30:53 headshot of any sort uh just please do so uh we've already updated uh the ones that have

submitted already so if you haven't done so just please at your earliest convenience so that way

1:30:58 we can go ahead and upload that to the website so any visitors that see or try to look up who their

current Senator is at least your name is listed but you know a picture would be nice as well um and

1:31:08 then of course with the website we're you know researching and doing a little bit

1:31:17 more you know research on how other universities have their staff Senate uh websites up so we're

getting inspiration, you know creating it our own and just a really good design so that way

1:31:23 it's just a little bit more user friendly for our visitors that come and visit and just making it

1:31:31 a little bit more uh with updated information the other part is for you know for the communications

1:31:36 committee we're creating a marketing guide folder so that way whenever we have time to promote

1:31:42 events or we have anything up upcoming we have a marketing folder that you know is accessible

1:31:47 through the committee and the other part is social media we're in the process of updating our social

1:31:53 media accounts for Facebook Instagram um LinkedIn and everything like that so right at the moment

we're just looking over and consolidating some accounts we that we really don't need at the

1:31:59 moment or that we just haven't seen any you know much engagement in a while so we're evaluating

1:32:09 those tasks at the moment and once we have done so then we'll update the the Senators and let them

know which current social media channels we have at the moment and then of course we're creating

1:32:14 a master calendar of events for promotion so for the whole year so for the moment we're focusing

right now in the fall once we complete those and we'll move forward to the spring just so that we

1:32:25 have good understanding of how long you know what it will take to promote an event if it's

happening in the spring so that we have a good of Engagement and a POS increases attendance for

1:32:33 those events so that includes athletic events art events campus events everything you could

think of that's university-wide we want to be able to promote those on our social media accounts

1:32:43 and communicate with our staff signed up course with our Campus Community as well so

everyone is informed properly on what events are coming up so that Master calendar will be

1:32:51 accessible through the communications committee as well as through the staff Senate as well

and um that's what I have for the communications committee thank you and I will turn it over

1:32:59 now to Yesenia Carter from the constitution of Elections committee

1:33:13 hi thank you Jake um my name is Yesenia I am the chair of the Constitution and elections committee

um I would just like to introduce them um we first have a crystal Chapel which is the co-chair

1:33:21 Melanie Garza which is the staff

1:33:30 Senate historian but she's also with us Monica Granado David Guerra the staff Senate secretary

1:33:37 and Madam president Veronica Villarreal a little summary of what our committee is

1:33:48 is directed to the committee identifies issues or suggests or suggestions regarding the

Constitution suitable for review We Gather and evaluate information and we recommend

1:33:55 courses of action to the staff Senate so this year we want to work on a new version of The

1:34:05 Constitution we're going to update the districts hopefully with the goal of uh next spring

1:34:12 uh we are also going to provide a new updated staff Senate Constitution viewable on the

1:34:19 internet so or on the website uh right now it's not updated so we are working on that uh we have

1:34:25 a few meetings uh scheduled so that we could get that up ASAP um the last thing we also manage the

1:34:33 nominations and elections process of the staff Senate so towards the end of the the uh the

1:34:41 year will start Gathering all of that information with the team I'm fairly new to the staff Senate

1:34:47 um this is my first time ever being a chair I I hope that if you all do have questions you reach

1:34:53 out to me um I will get my questions answered through all of my experienced team members so

1:35:01 please uh just bear with me and thank you very much for your time I'm going to pass

1:35:08 it over up next will be Mr Omar Nedzelsky from business processes and staff support committee

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1:35:16 I'm the chair of the business processes and staff support committee my co-chairs are Kelly Quinn
1:35:25 Melba Cantu and our members are Travis McAlpine James Martinez Jaime Miranda Dr Mirayda Torres and
1:35:34 Van Slusser for our committee report uh there are three items that I just wanted to update everyone
um we went a committee name change so the feedback committee has undergone a name change to
1:35:41 better
1:35:47 reflect its Mission and purpose uh it's not known as the business processes and staff
1:35:52 support committee so this name change was made to align the committee more closely with its purpose
1:35:58 of business processes clarification addressing staff concerns and comments and advocating for
1:36:05 the best practices we also have a new vision statement so our committee's vision statement is
1:36:13 the business processes and staff support committee envisions a workplace where Clarity support and
1:36:19 continuous Improvement are the cornerstones of our institutions culture we are committed to fostering
an environment where our staff can Thrive ensuring that our business processes are efficient and
1:36:25 effective while advocating for Best Practices across the organization so this vision statement
underscores our commitment to improving these processes and providing meaningful meaningful
1:36:35 support to staff ultimately aiming to create a workplace that empowers all of our employees to
1:36:45 grow and our last item is the QR code for staff feedback so as part of our ongoing efforts to
gather feedback from staff and suggestions we have continued to build on the previously implemented
1:36:52 QR code staff members can simply scan this QR code that is provided in the chat to share
1:37:05 their feedback or propose any improvements to our existing business processes so we encourage them
1:37:13 all of our staff to use this quick and accessible method to voice their opinions and uh
1:37:18 let us know of any ideas and just want to emphasize that your input is invaluable in
1:37:24 helping us drive some of the changes here at the institution and better support you guys
1:37:30 that's all that I have for the business processes and staff support committee
1:37:36 next Mr Aliver Lozano from staff success committee will be presenting
1:37:51 thank you, Omar, for that sorry it's the first time as well um I guess my name is Aliver
1:37:56 Lozano uh and we're working with the division of provost, and we have a great team on our side
um doesn't be helping you out for staff success which our coaches Miss Leslie law school we have
1:38:02 Mr Tim Odom as uh as member Miss Claudia Miss Myra Jeanette Dina Maria and Jose
1:38:14 and obviously we want to make sure we have been our committee some great events for this semester
1:38:19 we're in the process of um working to make sure we get this meet the senator me I mean you're
senator for the semester to kick off very well so you can meet your Senators within your areas
1:38:26 um I'm hoping we could get that cover and taking care of very soon so we can make sure you can
1:38:36 see some faces and not just emails or just uh names randomly so uh we'll be in contact very
soon and just be on the lookout we're trying to work different things for the entire year uh and
1:38:42 we're really happy to get any feedback on what you like to do as far as staff success
1:38:54 and now I'll turn over to Miss Kim right
1:39:03 Kelly I'm sorry sorry Miss Kelly I believe move forward to Miss Kelly or Miss Melania
1:39:10 hello everyone, we will now open the floor for public comments and questions
1:39:33 and if you all saw in the chat um you could see the links to the staff Senate website our
1:39:40 social media accounts and the feedback form that um Mr Omar was talking about
1:39:48 Mr Carlos Munoz just shared a link uh to the events for theater so The Haunting of Hill
1:39:58 House is going to be available for um a theater Department I think I could be wrong no yeah you're
1:40:10 right thank you so much uh so we are really happy this was a sellout last year with Frankenstein
1:40:15 same director we had three sellouts in a row uh unheard of and unprecedented for theater so this
1:40:22 would be a way for you to secure your ticket ahead of time and um also wanted to invite anybody who
1:40:28 has children or grandchildren or as a child at heart we're doing a Super Mario Studio Ghibli
1:40:34 concert um and it's going to be pretty amazing uh and I'm gonna share the trailer we're gonna
1:40:41 you're gonna see it on Facebook but I figure I'd give you guys a first preview um and free
1:40:47 concert if you have little ones that just want to get into piano or just love classical music
1:40:53 um or Love video games this is a great opportunity to expose them to uh the Arts and they'll also uh
1:41:01 hear from Bach and Hayden or Haydn but they'll also hear um you know their favorite Mario song
1:41:13 thank you for sharing that uh Miss Crystal Chapel shared the second annual awareness walk

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1:41:21 fire for the RGB QR code flyer and she also shared about suicide so September is suicide
1:41:30 awareness prevention month it's okay to not feel okay so make sure you reach out um to somebody if
1:41:38 you're not feeling the best um and it's about the presentation is ask about suicide to save a life
1:41:49 Madam president if you don't mind um everyone who is sharing uh great uh ideas and activities
1:41:58 are coming uh through UTRGV I do recommend to reach out to our communication committee so
1:42:04 they can make sure that they post that on our social media so that information can go out to all
1:42:04 our staff members um thank you for all the the events that are coming up and
1:42:14 we'll be happy to share that on our social media as well um please feel free to email it
1:42:14 at staffsenate@utrgv.edu and we'll make sure that it gets posted on our social media
1:42:28 Miss Eliza Gomez I see that you have an event to announce yes thank you so much um I'm Eliza
1:42:36 Gomez with the office of emergency management and I just wanted to make a reminder uh shout out to
1:42:43 everyone about the the brand-new initiative that we are launching for the institution called ready
1:42:48 UTRGV uh you've seen it in your announcements uh you've probably seen it on messenger and
1:42:55 it's also on the myutrtv homepage is one of the sliders if you click on it it gives you
1:43:01 event information it is basically September is National preparedness month and we're partnering
1:43:07 with office of student rights and disabilities uh I'm sorry student rights and accessibility rather
1:43:14 pardon me and uh for national Safety month and so we are having an event on Monday the 18th in
1:43:24 Edinburg from 10 a.m to noon at the ballroom and we're going to be having our Community
1:43:29 Partners and also our institutional Partners represented there and the first 100 visitors
1:43:36 will get a goodie bag and we're also having on that same event going to be taking place on Friday
1:43:44 September 22nd in Brownsville at El Gran Salon on um from 10 a.m till noon and we encourage
1:43:52 everybody and we're really excited because this is also the first time that our Incident Management
1:44:02 team that we're able to offer and an in-house training uh that has never been brought
1:44:08 to the institution before uh crisis management and higher education it's a three-day training
1:44:14 um brought To Us by some very seasoned experts from teaks and so we're very pleased it's going
1:44:25 to be a new initiative and on an ongoing basis there's going to be different topics we've worked
1:44:32 very exclusively and I'm very grateful to marketing and Communications uh for helping us
1:44:38 develop the brand and develop develop content and templates and so forth and so it's a very exciting
1:44:44 opportunity but basically the whole purpose of the initiative of ready UTRGV is to spread awareness
1:44:49 and spread information and resources to to promote the message that it does take a village the
1:44:55 preparedness starts at home it starts with you and little things that you can do each
1:45:03 and every day on a small scale to be prepared for any type of disaster so that you're not so
1:45:09 scared about a disaster that you're ready for it um we have had extreme heat we've had a very
1:45:16 crazy tropical season we've had winter storms that we've faced in the past wildfires are still
1:45:22 impacting our state and flooding is always an issue with uh the lack of infrastructure in a
1:45:28 lot of areas here in the valley so very little rainfall can create a very big problem quickly
1:45:35 so you know these are all things that we work with each and every day and also FEMA is promoting for
1:45:43 its theme this this year for National preparedness month preparedness for older adults for people who
1:45:49 are more vulnerable make people who have special needs in a variety of different ways different
1:45:55 ways of communicating different ways of processing um they're medically compromised there's different
1:46:01 ways that they need to be mindful and cognizant of to prepare so that if they need to leave or
1:46:08 make alternate Arrangements they can quickly do so in a safe Manner and that they have everything
1:46:13 that they need to survive their disaster and to continue to thrive so that's all I have I
1:46:24 thank you very much for your time and I I hope to see everybody out there it's it's really exciting
1:46:36 and uh this is also going to be happening again in the spring and we're going to bring it to the
1:46:44 Harlingen campus as well and then going forward every fall and every spring that this is going to
1:46:56 be an annual event so we're really excited about it it's taken a lot of work a lot of time and it's
1:46:56 something I felt really strongly about and I think it just it helps the entire
1:46:56 UTRGV community be stronger and more resilient thank you thank you Eliza for sharing that stop
1:46:56 Senator Jose Amieva shared the calendar event for those that want to just have a direct link to it
1:46:56 if they aren't any further public comments or questions, we will now move to make a motion to adjourn

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and moved to adjourns and stuff's a general meeting for the month of September is there a second
1:47:09 I second is there any debate or discussion debate or discussion
1:47:24 debate or discussion all those in favor please State I in the zoom chat
1:47:32 all oppose any abstentions
1:47:49 the motion passes we will adjourn the meeting at 10 47. thank you so much everyone for joining us
1:47:56 today you have a wonderful Thursday, and we'll see you guys next month bye thank you everybody

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APPENDIX B – UREC PRESENTATION

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Presented by Fey Kerman
Fitness & Wellness Coordinator

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STUDENT
NO FRESHMAN TRYOUTS UNTIL 9:00

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UNLIMITED ACCESS

EDINBURG CAMPUS
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MEMBERSHIPS

	7 - Punch	Monthly	Annual		7 - Punch	Monthly	Annual
Faculty / Staff	\$14	\$25	\$230	Alumni	\$16	\$30	\$300
Spouse	\$14	\$25	\$230	Spouse	\$16	\$30	\$300

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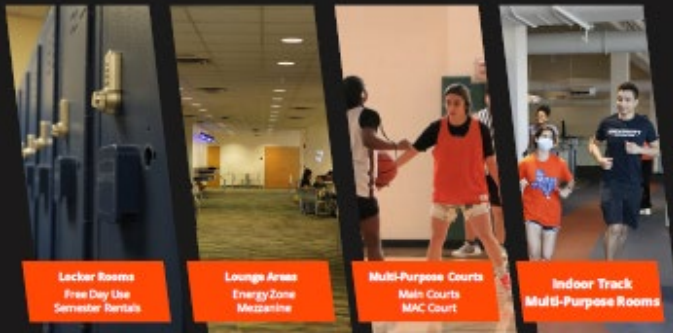


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Semester Rentals

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Energy Zone
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Main Courts
MAC Court

Indoor Track
Multi-Purpose Rooms

FACILITIES



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Swim Programs

COMPETITIVE SPORTS
Intramural Sports
Sport Clubs

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Climbing Wall
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▶ **INTRO TO PERSONAL TRAINING**
\$75 (3 SESSIONS)

▶ **TWICE A WEEK PROGRAM**
\$280 (12 SESSIONS)

▶ **THREE TIMES A WEEK PROGRAM**
\$420 (20 SESSIONS)

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GX SCHEDULE STUDIO 1
SEPT. 5 - NOV. 17

MONDAY	ZUMBA 6:30PM	ZUMBA TONE UP 6:30AM	YOGA 7:30PM
TUESDAY	CYCLEFIT 6:30PM		
WEDNESDAY	ZUMBA 6:30PM	ZUMBA TONE UP 6:30AM	YOGA 7:30PM
THURSDAY	CYCLEFIT 6:30PM		
FRIDAY	CYCLEFIT 6:30PM		

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GX SCHEDULE STUDIO 2
SEPT. 5 - NOV. 17

MONDAY	BOOTCAMP 5:30PM	BOXING 6:30PM	
TUESDAY	BARRE 6:30PM	SPIN 6:30PM	BOXING 7:30PM
WEDNESDAY	BOOTCAMP 6:30PM	BOXING 6:30AM	RAP 7:30AM
THURSDAY	BARRE 6:30PM	CYCLEFIT 6:30PM	BOXING 7:30PM
FRIDAY	BOXING 6:30PM		

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BOOTCAMP
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM
SEPTEMBER 25 - OCTOBER 4, 9, & 30
DECEMBER 6

YOGA
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 27 - OCTOBER 18 & 25
NOVEMBER 8 & 29

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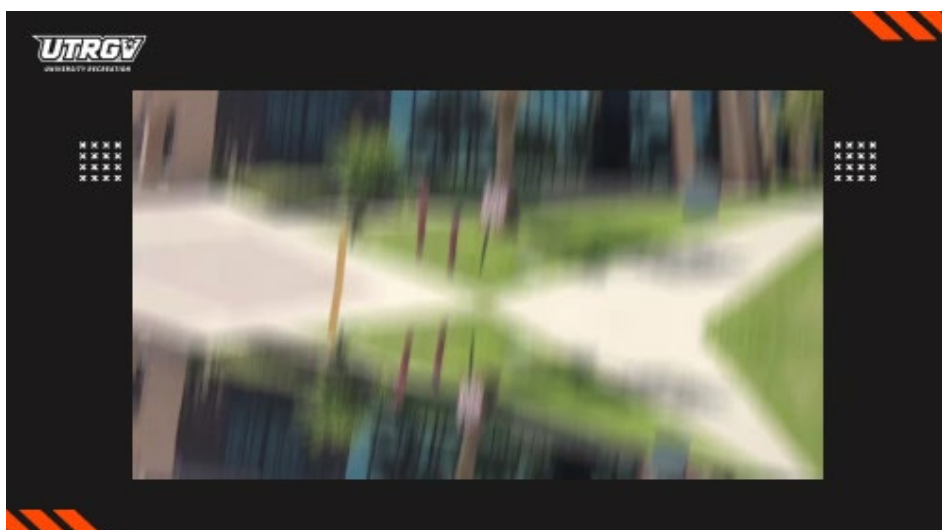
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October 17, 2023	Harlingen UTRGV Auditoriums	5:30pm-6:30pm
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APPENDIX C – Zoom Chat Log for Thursday, September 14, 2023 – Staff Senate General Session

- 09:02:32 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Good morning 😊
- 09:02:51 From Dora Sallie Maldonado : good morning
- 09:03:04 From Vicente Reyna : Buenos dias
- 09:03:33 From Cassandra Andrade : Good morning everyone!
- 09:03:40 From Yadira Mejia : Good morning! ❤️
- 09:03:48 From Staff Senator Dina Guerra : Good morning
- 09:03:50 From Marlene Lugo Villarreal : Good Blessed Morning
- 09:03:54 From Ricardo Lopez : 🙊
- 09:03:55 From Timothy Odoms - Staff Senator : Hello
- 09:03:55 From Noelynn (she/her/hers) : Good morning everyone 😊
- 09:04:04 From Miranda Savage : Good morning 😊
- 09:04:40 From Jacquelynn Hernandez, M.P.A. : Good morning, everyone! 😊
- 09:05:08 From Priscilla Silva : Good Morning
- 09:05:22 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Good morning, everyone
- 09:05:24 From Jeremy San Miguel, MSSW MPA : Good morning ! 😊
- 09:05:35 From Staff Senator Claudia Garcia : I
- 09:05:38 From Staff Senator Cristina De Leon : Aye
- 09:05:44 From Staff Sentaor Cristina Rodriguez : Aye
- 09:05:50 From Staff Senator Dina Guerra : aye
- 09:06:11 From Mirayda Torres-Avila (Staff Senator) : aye
- 09:06:17 From Staff Senator Jaime Miranda : aye
- 09:06:26 From Staff Senator, Jake Gonzalez : Aye

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09:06:48 From Aliver Lozano, Staff Senator : Present (had technical issues)

09:06:48 From Jeremy San Miguel, MSSW MPA : Aye

09:06:57 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Aye

09:07:07 From Senator Kayla Buentello : Aye

09:07:14 From Kelli, Staff Senator : Aye

09:07:20 From Krystal Chappell : Aye

09:07:26 From Lesly Orozco - Staff Senator : aye

09:07:34 From Andrea's OtterPilot : Hi, I'm an AI assistant helping Andrea Rodriguez take notes for this meeting. Follow along the transcript here:

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09:07:43 From Veronica's OtterPilot : Hi, I'm an AI assistant helping Veronica De Hoyos take notes for this meeting. Follow along the transcript here:

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09:07:55 From Abid's OtterPilot : Hi, I'm an AI assistant helping Abid Islas take notes for this meeting. Follow along the transcript here:

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09:08:12 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : aye

09:08:17 From Melba Cantu, Staff Senator : Aye

09:08:22 From Staff Senator Monica Granado (she/her) : aye

09:08:27 From Omar Nedzelsky Jr., Staff Senator : Aye

09:08:33 From Staff Senator Rolando Segovia : aye

09:08:41 From Travis McAlpine, Staff Senator : aye

09:08:45 From Van Slusser, Staff Senator : Aye

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- 09:08:50 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : aye
- 09:08:57 From Yesenia Carter, Staff Senator : Aye
- 09:09:57 From Kelli, Staff Senator : Aye
- 09:09:57 From Staff Senator Monica Granado (she/her) : aye
- 09:09:57 From Yesenia Carter, Staff Senator : AYe
- 09:09:57 From Van Slusser, Staff Senator : Aye
- 09:09:58 From Staff Senator Cristina De Leon : Aye
- 09:09:58 From Aliver Lozano, Staff Senator : Aye
- 09:09:58 From Omar Nedzelsky Jr., Staff Senator : Aye
- 09:09:58 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Aye
- 09:09:58 From Travis McAlpine, Staff Senator : aye
- 09:09:58 From Lesly Orozco - Staff Senator : aye
- 09:09:59 From Staff Senator, Jake Gonzalez : Aye
- 09:09:59 From Staff Senator Dina Guerra : aye
- 09:09:59 From Timothy Odoms - Staff Senator : aye
- 09:10:00 From Mirayda Torres-Avila (Staff Senator) : aye
- 09:10:00 From Staff Senator, Jeremy San Miguel : Aye
- 09:10:00 From Staff Senator Claudia Garcia : aye
- 09:10:00 From Staff Sentaor Cristina Rodriguez : Aye
- 09:10:01 From Staff Senator Jaime Miranda : aye
- 09:10:01 From Melba Cantu, Staff Senator : aye
- 09:10:06 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : aye
- 09:10:07 From Krystal Chappell : aye
- 09:16:17 From Julieta Ontiveros : Hi Dr. Bailey, thank you for this informatin.

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- 09:16:32 From Melinda Garcia : Agreed! Thank you!
- 09:16:36 From Irma Hermida : Thank You Dr. Bailey.
- 09:16:37 From Dolores Villarreal : Thank you Dr. Bailey!
- 09:16:40 From Jessica Salinas, PhD : Great information - clear and transparent. Completely agree on great benefits!
- 09:16:45 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Wonderful news. Thank you, President Bailey
- 09:16:48 From Blanca Davila - PEWD : Thank you for your time!
- 09:17:33 From Blanca Marmolejo : Thank you Dr. Bailey!! Appreciate your leadership!! 🙌❤️
- 09:17:34 From abigail rodriguez : Yes, thank you Dr. Bailey.
- 09:17:41 From Eliza Gomez--UTRGV OEM : Thank you so much, Dr. Bailey--I'm so proud and happy to be at UTRGV!
- 09:19:04 From Staff Senator David Guerra : Thank you Dr. Bailey for your time and sharing this great information.
- 09:19:21 From Staff Senator, Jeremy San Miguel : Thank you for your time Dr. Bailey
- 09:19:37 From Andrea's OtterPilot : Hi, I'm an AI assistant helping Andrea Rodriguez take notes for this meeting. Follow along the transcript here:
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- 09:19:39 From Veronica's OtterPilot : Hi, I'm an AI assistant helping Veronica De Hoyos take notes for this meeting. Follow along the transcript here:
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- 09:19:53 From Abid's OtterPilot : Hi, I'm an AI assistant helping Abid Islas take notes for this meeting. Follow along the transcript here
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- 09:19:53 From Staff Senator Dina Guerra : Thank you Dr. Bailey

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- 09:21:48 From Jessica Salinas, PhD : Yes! Good philosophy....and thank you for remaining loyal to our Valley -
- 09:23:11 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Yes! Good philosophy..." with 
- 09:24:03 From Carlos Sanchez : No questions right now, but if I think of one later I'll try to bring it up at the Picnic with the President later today in Brownsville!
- 09:24:23 From Miranda Savage : We appreciate you! Thank you so much!
- 09:24:29 From Patricia Hyde : Thank you for your time, Dr. Bailey!
- 09:24:31 From Maribel C. Saucedo : Thank you Dr. Bailey!
- 09:24:43 From Shadman : Thank you Dr Bailey!
- 09:35:57 From Irma Hermida : Thank You Dr. Zayas
- 09:36:29 From Mirayda Torres-Avila (Staff Senator) : me
- 09:36:46 From Gabby Allen : Thank you Dr. Zayas
- 09:36:50 From Francisco Garcia : Mexican, but love Mofongo and tostones
- 09:36:52 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Thank you for those inspirational words. Welcome to the UTRGV family!   
- 09:36:54 From Jessica Salinas, PhD : I was there two weeks ago! Beautiful island! Loved Cerro Gordo!
- 09:37:01 From Mirayda Torres-Avila (Staff Senator) : Reacted to "Mexican, but love Mo..." with 
- 09:37:06 From Eliza Gomez--UTRGV OEM : I miss my arroz con gandules!!!!my best friend is half boriqva, half cubana
- 09:37:36 From america.delarosa@UTRGV.edu : Welcome Dr. Zayas and thank you!
- 09:37:37 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : @Graciela , you are amazing! Thank you!
- 09:37:45 From Mirayda Torres-Avila (Staff Senator) : Reacted to "I miss my arroz con ..." with 
- 09:37:45 From Agustin "James" Rodriguez : way to be on top of it Gracie...you are the best.

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09:37:48 From Mirayda Torres-Avila (Staff Senator) : Reacted to "I was there two week..." with ❤️

09:38:05 From Krystal Chappell : Thank you Dr. Zayas!

09:38:09 From Eliza Gomez--UTRGV OEM : @graciela, you are amazing!!

09:38:13 From Agustin "James" Rodriguez : Replying to "way to be on top of ..."

@Graciela Abrego

09:38:27 From Angie Bocanegra : Thank you to our UTRGV facilities workers! We appreciate it!

09:38:29 From Marlene Lugo Villarreal : Thank you, for your kind and motivating words.

09:38:43 From Cecilia Sanchez : Thank You Dr. Zayas! Welcome to UTRGV

09:38:56 From Maribel C. Saucedo : Welcome Dr. Zayas to our UTRGV family!

09:39:19 From Angie Bocanegra : Thank you Dr. Zayas and welcome to UTRGV!

09:39:45 From Eliza Gomez--UTRGV OEM : Wonderful to have you with us, Dr. Zayas!

09:40:39 From Francisco Garcia : Every challenge is an opportunity....Al

09:40:46 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Every challenge is a..." with 🙌

09:40:53 From Graciela Abrego : Reacted to "@Graciela , you are ..." with 😊

09:40:57 From Gabby Allen : Reacted to "Every challenge is a..." with ❤️

09:41:00 From Irma Hermida : Reacted to "Every challenge is a..." with 🙌

09:41:01 From Irma Hermida : Reacted to "Every challenge is a..." with ❤️

09:41:05 From Graciela Abrego : Reacted to "way to be on top of ..." with 😊

09:41:09 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Reacted to "Every challenge is a..." with 👍


09:41:10 From Graciela Abrego : Reacted to "@graciela, you are a..." with 😊

09:41:19 From Graciela Abrego : Reacted to "Thank you to our UTR..." with 🙌

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- 09:42:03 From Nick Balderas : Reacted to "Every challenge is a..." with 🙌
- 09:42:14 From George Handley : As any tool, learning the advantages and disadvantages are key to implementing for our students' success in the future job market.
- 09:43:34 From Daniela Venegas : Reacted to "Thank you to our UTR..." with 😊
- 09:44:50 From Irma Hermida : Reacted to "As any tool, learnin..." with ❤️
- 09:44:56 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Reacted to "As any tool, learnin..." with 👍
- 09:45:18 From Samantha Gonzalez : whoooooo!
- 09:45:19 From Melba Latu : HI Faye!
- 09:47:12 From Victoria R Hernandez : By any chance does the rec offer water aerobics?
- 09:48:01 From Sabrina Martinez : During the summer semester, we offer Aqua Zumba

- 09:48:11 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Reacted to "During the summer se..." with 🤔
- 09:48:16 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Removed a 🤔 reaction from "During the summer se..."
- 09:48:19 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Reacted to "During the summer se..." with 👍
- 09:51:27 From Staff Senator Claudia Garcia : Reacted to "During the summer se..." with 👍
- 09:52:17 From Irma Zuniga : Thank you!
- 09:52:28 From Krystal Chappell : Thank you!
- 09:52:46 From Agustin "James" Rodriguez : do insurance cover any of the training programs
- 09:53:13 From Ela Escalante : Reacted to "During the summer se..." with 👍
- 09:53:48 From Agustin "James" Rodriguez : Replying to "do insurance cover a..."
- @Fay
- 09:53:53 From Amilcar Galindo (UTRGV) : Amilcar.galindo@UTRGV.edu

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09:54:26 From Amilcar Galindo (UTRGV) : Replying to "Amilcar.galindo@utrgv..."

If you have any questions on Youth Camps, you can contact me!

09:54:36 From Agustin "James" Rodriguez : thank you

09:54:52 From Amilcar Galindo (UTRGV) : 6-11 yrs

09:54:56 From Daniela Venegas : 6-11

09:55:01 From Graciela Abrego : Are the online sessions for members only?

09:55:04 From Tahnee Netro : Are the fees a flat rate or do they include taxes at time of payment? Thank you.

09:55:22 From Luz Alaniz : IS Prime only in Edinburg?

09:55:22 From Kristina Chavez : They are amazing! My kids did them for years

09:55:30 From Liza Dimas UTRGV : Reacted to "They are amazing! My..." with ❤️

09:56:14 From Angie Bocanegra : Are you dates you will be in Harlingen available on your website?

09:56:21 From Ela Escalante : Thank you Fay

09:56:34 From Staff Senator Claudia Garcia to Staff Senator Rolando Segovia(Direct Message) : @Staff Senator Rolando Segovia do all staff have access to Tivity through Blue Cross Blue Shield?

09:56:46 From Sabrina Martinez : Reacted to "They are amazing! My..." with ❤️

09:56:53 From Fay : Fay Kennan - fay.kennan@UTRGV.edu

09:59:42 From Aliver Lozano, Staff Senator : @Fay, some staff are asking if lessons will ever be outside working hours.

09:59:56 From Aliver Lozano, Staff Senator : The virtual ones since those are during business hours

10:03:47 From Sarah Munoz : I would also like a noodle machine in Brownsville. lol

10:03:53 From Staff Senator Rolando Segovia to Staff Senator Claudia Garcia(Direct Message) : Let me look into this for you

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- 10:03:58 From L. Lopez : Reacted to "I would also like a ..." with 👍
- 10:04:00 From Suzanne Gonzalez : Reacted to "I would also like a ..." with 👍
- 10:04:05 From Amanda Montoya : Reacted to "I would also like a ..." with 👍
- 10:04:20 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "I would also like a ..." with 👍
- 10:04:55 From Miranda Savage : Reacted to "I would also like a ..." with 👍
- 10:06:22 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Awesome supporting local coffee roasters
- 10:06:23 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : Pineapple Ninjaz!?
- 10:06:39 From Omar Nedzelsky Jr., Staff Senator : ☐
- 10:06:50 From Ela Escalante : I suddenly feel hungry
- 10:06:58 From Omar Nedzelsky Jr., Staff Senator : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂
- 10:07:03 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂
- 10:07:18 From Sabrina Martinez : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂
- 10:07:28 From Adhlemy Sanchez : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂
- 10:07:33 From Luz Ramos : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂
- 10:07:39 From Sabrina Martinez : Reacted to "GX SMSQ Harlingen.jpg" with 🤩
- 10:07:46 From Krystal Chappell : Yay!
- 10:08:07 From Mirayda Torres-Avila (Staff Senator) : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂
- 10:08:08 From Adhlemy Sanchez : Reacted to "I would also like a ..." with 🙌
- 10:09:41 From Patricia Hyde : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂
- 10:09:43 From Marlene Lugo Villarreal : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂
- 10:09:58 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : Reacted to "I suddenly feel hung..." with 😂

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- 10:12:02 From Carlos Sanchez : With the Absurd Bird now in Brownsville, does that mean no more burgers?
- 10:13:06 From Aliver Lozano, Staff Senator : Did the prices change for lunch?
- 10:13:30 From Sarah Munoz : Reacted to "With the Absurd Bird..." with 🤔
- 10:13:58 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Did the prices chang..." with 👍
- 10:14:26 From Staff Senator Jaime Miranda : any dining rewards programs for staff/students
- 10:14:34 From Patricia Hyde : There is definitely an increase of students on campus in Harlingen. Thank you for mentioning!
- 10:14:49 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Reacted to "any dining rewards p..." with 👍
- 10:14:53 From Ms. Millie Resendez : All the food mention sounds delicious! Will Brownsville campus have the salad bar and sub sandwiches as an option?
- 10:15:00 From Eliza Gomez--UTRGV OEM : is there any plan to offer employee discounts?
- 10:15:11 From Ashley De La Garza : Thank you Robert, Luis, and Vianney for this exciting information. I'm already seeing the positive impact on campus. It's a refreshing new look, taste, and experience. Keep up the great work!
- 10:15:17 From ddh045 : Reacted to "I would also like a ..." with 👍
- 10:15:53 From Daniela Venegas : Reacted to "Thank you Robert, Lu..." with 😊
- 10:15:54 From Aliver Lozano, Staff Senator : Staff prices/discounts
- 10:16:15 From Ela Escalante : Reacted to "Thank you Robert, Lu..." with 🙌
- 10:16:26 From Deborah Guillen : Are there V Card Pay Plans?
- 10:16:36 From Nicole Guzman : Reacted to "Thank you Robert, Lu..." with 🙌
- 10:16:40 From Suzanne Gonzalez : I have heard student complaints about the pricing.
- 10:17:08 From Guillermo C. (he/him) : Reacted to "I have heard student..." with 🙌
- 10:17:11 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : Replying to "I have heard student..."

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Same

10:17:14 From Yunuen Gutierrez : Catering services. How accommodating would the menu be to meet the department needs when it comes to catered events

10:17:17 From Dolores Villarreal : Is there a way to get "gift cards" to give to people, like staff, students, etc.?

10:17:30 From Guillermo C. (he/him) : Replying to "I have heard student..."

I've heard complaints from both sides - students and staff.

10:17:35 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : Reacted to "Is there a way to ge..." with 👍

10:17:42 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Will the Brownsville campus have any additional food options in the future? The custom ramen sounds awesome and would be something that our students would enjoy.

10:17:56 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Is there a way to ge..." with 👍

10:17:57 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Replying to "I have heard student..."

Same, the students mentioned that the local vendors have high prices

10:17:58 From Ela Escalante : Reacted to "Will the Brownsville..." with 👍

10:18:08 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "I have heard student..." with 🙌

10:18:19 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Staff prices/discoun..." with 👍

10:18:33 From Guillermo C. (he/him) : Reacted to "Same, the students m..." with 🙌

10:18:40 From Sandra Guajardo : The Brownsville campus is very limited on options at Comedor. Went Tuesday, and was disappointed at the options and pricing.

10:18:43 From Luz Alaniz : what time and location is president's picnic in bville

10:18:48 From Miranda Savage : Previously breakfast options, such as biscuits, were offered near the library on the Brownsville campus... would there be a chance this may return? Many students and staff were sad to see them go.

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- 10:19:06 From Ricardo Lopez : Reacted to "Previously breakfast..." with 👍
- 10:19:16 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "The Brownsville camp..." with 🙌
- 10:19:34 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Replying to "what time and locati..."

https://calendar.UTRGV.edu/event/picnic_with_the_president_-_brownsville?utm_campaign=widget&utm_medium=widget&utm_source=UTRGV+Events+Calendar

- 10:19:43 From Adhlemey Sanchez : Will noodle kiosks be in Brownsville too?
- 10:19:51 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Replying to "what time and locati..."

11:30 am - 1:30 pm in El Gran Salon

- 10:20:15 From Maribel C. Saucedo : Luis, someone needs to come and evaluate the Brownsville campus! I totally agree with Sandra, food selection could be better.
- 10:20:20 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Previously breakfast..." with 👍
- 10:20:30 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Luis, someone needs ..." with 👍
- 10:20:34 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Will noodle kiosks b..." with 🙌
- 10:20:41 From txc081 : Reacted to "Luis, someone needs ..." with 👍
- 10:20:55 From Sarah Munoz : Reacted to "Luis, someone needs ..." with 👍
- 10:21:00 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Reacted to "Previously breakfast..." with 👍
- 10:21:09 From txc081 : Reacted to "Previously breakfast..." with 👍
- 10:21:22 From txc081 : Reacted to "The Brownsville camp..." with 👍
- 10:21:31 From txc081 : Reacted to "Will the Brownsville..." with 👍
- 10:21:32 From Ana Sanchez : Reacted to "The Brownsville camp..." with 👍
- 10:22:23 From Patricia Hyde : Reacted to "Staff prices/discoun..." with 👍

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- 10:22:34 From Maribel C. Saucedo : and why don't we have more selections on food, to me price is not the issue if the food is good!!!
- 10:22:39 From Miranda Savage : Reacted to "Luis, someone needs ..." with 👍
- 10:22:43 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "and why don't we hav..." with 🎓
- 10:22:47 From Sandra Guajardo : It's just not the Brownsville selection but the food I purchased was low quality and not as described on menu. Vegetarian choice was veggie patty with sauce. Didn't look appetizing.
- 10:22:53 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Reacted to "It's just not the Br..." with 🎓
- 10:23:00 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "It's just not the Br..." with 🎓
- 10:23:08 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Reacted to "and why don't we hav..." with 🎓
- 10:23:13 From Graciela Abrego : Reacted to "and why don't we hav..." with 👍
- 10:23:26 From Graciela Abrego : Reacted to "and why don't we hav..." with 🙌
- 10:23:26 From Gabby Allen : Reacted to "It's just not the Br..." with 🎓
- 10:23:52 From txc081 : Reacted to "and why don't we hav..." with 👍
- 10:24:23 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Reacted to "It's just not the Br..." with 🎓
- 10:24:30 From Staff Senator Cristina De Leon : Reacted to "Pineapple Ninjaz!?" with 😄
- 10:25:59 From ddh045 : Reacted to "It's just not the Br..." with 🙌
- 10:26:10 From ddh045 : Reacted to "Luis, someone needs ..." with 👍
- 10:26:14 From ddh045 : Reacted to "and why don't we hav..." with 🎓
- 10:27:15 From Ashley De La Garza : Thank you Robert, Luis, and Vianney for this exciting information. I'm already seeing the positive impact on campus. It's a refreshing new look, taste, and experience. Keep up the great work!
- 10:27:17 From Carlos Sanchez : Just to clarify: is the Picnic with the President for staff too, or only students?
- 10:28:01 From Maribel C. Saucedo : Reacted to "It's just not the Br..." with 🙌

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- 10:28:41 From Yesenia Carter, Staff Senator : What's the name of the app?
- 10:28:43 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : What is the app?
- 10:29:03 From Ashley De La Garza : <https://www.UTRGV.edu/campus-card-services/manage/index.htm>
- 10:29:04 From Dolores Villarreal : Thanks Edna, that is what I was looking for.
- 10:29:16 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Get
- 10:29:28 From Deborah Guillen : Reacted to "Thanks Edna, that is..." with 👍
- 10:29:31 From Ashley De La Garza : GET Link: <https://www.UTRGV.edu/campus-card-services/manage/index.htm>
- 10:30:05 From Sabrina Martinez : Students can also use the GET app to swipe in at UREC in case they forget their physical student ID :)
- 10:30:15 From Staff Sentaor Cristina Rodriguez : Reacted to "Students can also us..." with ❤️
- 10:30:43 From Graciela Abrego : Very helpful information. Got to leave as I have another meeting. Thank you very much
- 10:30:55 From Dora Sallie Maldonado : great information!
- 10:30:56 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Reacted to "Very helpful informa..." with 👍
- 10:30:59 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Reacted to "great information!" with 👍
- 10:31:34 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : <https://www.UTRGV.edu/staffsenate/>
- 10:32:05 From Edna Zambrano-Martinez : The Picnic is for everyone.
- 10:32:15 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Reacted to "The Picnic is for ev..." with 😊
- 10:32:23 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "Students can also us..." with ❤️
- 10:32:31 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : Reacted to "The Picnic is for ev..." with 😊
- 10:32:48 From Staff Senator Dina Guerra : Reacted to "The Picnic is for ev..." with 😊

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- 10:33:37 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza :
<https://www.instagram.com/UTRGVstaffsenate/>
- 10:34:16 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Reacted to "great information!" with 👍
- 10:35:38 From Carlos Sanchez : Reacted to "The Picnic is for ev..." with 👍
- 10:37:01 From Ela Escalante : Reacted to "The Picnic is for ev..." with 🙌
- 10:37:17 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza :
<https://www.UTRGV.edu/staffsenate/contact/index.htm>
- 10:37:42 From Fay : Hope to see everyone this October at UREC's Zumba Dance Party & Wellness Expo 2023 :)
- 10:37:53 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Reacted to "The Picnic is for ev..." with 👍
- 10:37:59 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Reacted to "Hope to see everyone..." with 😊
- 10:38:01 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Reacted to "Zumba Dance Party & Wellness Expo 2023.png" with 😊
- 10:39:08 From Daniela Venegas : Reacted to "Hope to see everyone..." with 😊
- 10:39:25 From Carlos Munoz :
<https://www.showpass.com/s/events/Edinburg,TX,USA/?q=hill+house>
- 10:39:35 From Julia Baldonado [She/They] : General comment, I greatly appreciate all of the information that was shared today. ❤️
- 10:39:49 From Yadira Mejia : Reacted to "General comment, I g..." with ❤️
- 10:39:54 From Staff Senator, Kayla Buentello : Reacted to "General comment, I g..." with ❤️
- 10:40:11 From Omar Nedzelsky Jr., Staff Senator : Quick Link to the feedback form:
https://UTRGV.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9meJmC4SHddG01n
- 10:40:30 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : Reacted to "General comment, I g..." with ❤️
- 10:40:39 From Carlos Munoz : <https://UTRGV-umc.app.box.com/s/zwx2z8dft18c8hlooszuhj5sr1bol054>

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- 10:41:05 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Reacted to "General comment, I g..." with 🤔
- 10:41:06 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : Reacted to "https://UTRGV-umc.ap..." with ❤️
- 10:41:07 From Nick Balderas : Reacted to "https://UTRGV-umc.ap..." with 🌻
- 10:41:11 From Ana C. : Reacted to "https://UTRGV-umc...." with ❤️
- 10:41:17 From Eliza Gomez--UTRGV OEM : I have an event to announce
- 10:41:52 From Krystal Chappell : Thank you
- 10:42:05 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Reacted to "https://UTRGV-umc.ap..." with 👍
- 10:42:10 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : Can email us at- staffsenate@UTRGV.edu
- 10:42:22 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Is there any flyers on the suicide awareness
- 10:42:22 From Carlos Munoz : Enter EARLYBIRD at checkout for \$1 off all Haunting on Hill House tickets
- 10:42:35 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Reacted to "Enter EARLYBIRD at c..." with 👍
- 10:42:35 From Ana C. : Reacted to "Enter EARLYBIRD at..." with 👍
- 10:42:36 From Brenda N. Delgado : Reacted to "https://UTRGV-umc.ap..." with ❤️
- 10:43:01 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Replying to "Is there any flyers ..."
- <https://988lifeline.org/promote-national-suicide-prevention-month/>
- 10:43:24 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva :
https://calendar.UTRGV.edu/event/ready_UTRGV_-_edinburg
- 10:43:46 From martha.alanis01@UTRGV.edu : Replying to "Is there any flyers ..."



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- 10:45:25 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : Reacted to "Enter EARLYBIRD at c..."
with 👍
- 10:46:40 From Dora Sallie Maldonado : thank
- 10:46:43 From Dora Sallie Maldonado : you
- 10:47:25 From Staff Senator Jaime Miranda : aye
- 10:47:26 From Aliver Lozano, Staff Senator : Aye
- 10:47:26 From Staff Senator Cristina De Leon : aye
- 10:47:26 From Melba Cantu, Staff Senator : aye
- 10:47:26 From Omar Nedzelsky Jr., Staff Senator : Aye
- 10:47:26 From Lesly Orozco - Staff Senator : aye
- 10:47:27 From Van Slusser, Staff Senator : Aye
- 10:47:27 From Staff Senator Jose Amieva : Aye
- 10:47:27 From Staff Senator David Guerra : aye
- 10:47:27 From Staff Senator, Jeremy San Miguel : Aye
- 10:47:27 From Staff Senator-Melanie Garza : aye
- 10:47:27 From Staff Senator, Jake Gonzalez : Aye
- 10:47:27 From Travis McAlpine, Staff Senator : aye
- 10:47:28 From Staff Sentaor Cristina Rodriguez : aye
- 10:47:28 From Mirayda Torres-Avila (Staff Senator) : aye
- 10:47:28 From Timothy Odoms - Staff Senator : aye
- 10:47:28 From Ela Escalante : aye
- 10:47:30 From Staff Senator Mayra Garcia : ay
- 10:47:30 From Staff Senator, Kayla Buentello : aye
- 10:47:30 From Staff Senator Claudia Garcia : aye

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- 10:47:31 From Staff Senator Monica Granado (she/her) : aye
- 10:47:31 From Staff Senator Dina Guerra : AYE
- 10:47:32 From Veronica Villarreal, Staff Senator : aye
- 10:47:32 From Krystal Chappell : aye
- 10:47:53 From Yadira Mejia : Congratulations to our new Staff Senate!
- 10:47:55 From Patricia Hyde : Thank you!
- 10:47:57 From Ela Escalante : Thank you!
- 10:47:58 From Staff Senator Dina Guerra : Thank you
- 10:47:58 From Omar Nedzelsky Jr., Staff Senator : 🙌

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APPENDIX D – LINKS MENTIONED IN THIS SESSION

- <http://utrgv.edu>
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- <https://www.instagram.com/UTRGVstaffsenate/>
- <https://www.UTRGV.edu/staffsenate/contact/index.htm>
- https://calendar.UTRGV.edu/event/picnic_with_the_president_-_brownsville?utm_campaign=widget&utm_medium=widget&utm_source=UTRGV+Events+Calendar
- <https://www.UTRGV.edu/campus-card-services/manage/index.htm>
- <https://www.showpass.com/s/events/Edinburg,TX,USA/?q=hill+house>
- https://UTRGV.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9meJmC4SHddG01n
- <https://UTRGV-umc.app.box.com/s/zwx2z8dft18c8hlooszuhj5sr1bol054>
- <https://988lifeline.org/promote-national-suicide-prevention-month/>
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