

TEXAS COUNCIL OF FACULTY SENATES

BUSINESS MEETING

October 23, 2004

Minutes

Claudia Stuart, President, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Present were the Executive Committee members and representatives from twenty-three campuses. Sharon Grimm, Executive Secretary, also attended.

In a motion by Alba Ortiz and second by Sharon Arnoult, the minutes of the February 21, 2004 Business Meeting were approved as read. A vote to accept passed unanimously.

Marvin Hackert, Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report and Budget for the 2004/2005 school year. A vote to accept both reports passed unanimously.

David Weissenburger discussed the website problems we are encountering. The Executive Committee is seeking to put the website up on the UT system. An e-mail will be circulated when the website is up and operational.

Claudia Stuart announced that Maxine Hammonds-Smith has resigned from her university as well as from Texas Council of Faculty Senates. Mavis Triebel has agreed to accept the position of Vice President East Region until the Spring elections.

David Weissenburger will be in charge of the program for the Spring meeting and requested recommendations for program speakers.

Marvin Hackert explained a situation within Texas Council of Faculty Senates wherein there is the need to re-apply for tax exempt status as the original paperwork was not properly completed. The Bylaws need to be amended to address several issues and he is working with the Office of General Counsel of the UT system to obtain updated Bylaws. The proposed amended Bylaws will be e-mailed to each campus for their approval.

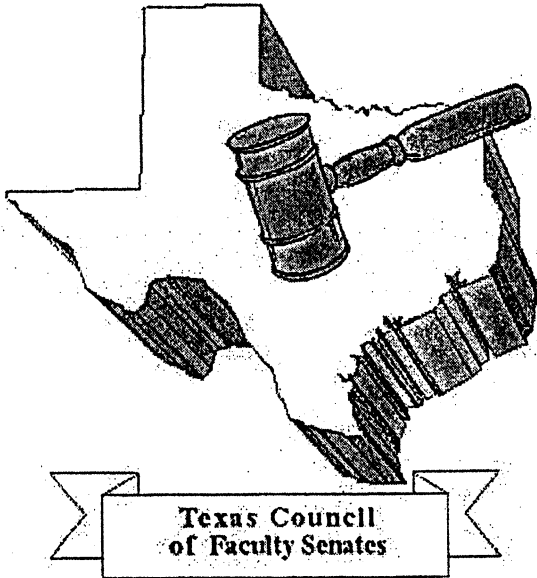
Rajab Chaloo of Texas A&M University, Kingsville, presented a situation at his university wherein the faculty has voted a no confidence vote in their President and Provost who desire to abolish the faculty senate. A resolution was written and approved by Texas Council of Faculty Senates members for Dr. Chaloo to take to his senate for presentation regarding the right to assemble.

Murray Leaf, The University of Texas at Dallas, electronically presented a survey he is asking to be completed by Texas Council of Faculty Senate members.

There being no further business, meeting be adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Grimm
Executive Secretary



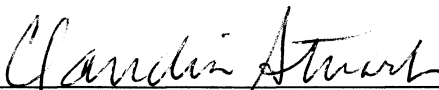
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Texas A&M University, Kingsville, has passed a vote of no confidence in their President,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Texas Council of Faculty Senates insists that all state university and college faculties have a right to assemble and petition grievances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all faculty participants should be immune from any retribution for their statements and actions.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Texas Council of Faculty Senates fully supports Texas A&M Kingsville faculty senate in its efforts to carry out its obligations and responsibilities as a body of faculty.



Claudia Stuart, President
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