

# TEXAS COUNCIL OF FACULTY SENATES

## BUSINESS MEETING

OCTOBER 25, 2014

### MINUTES

President LaVelle Hendricks called the meeting to order at 10:10 A.M. Present were faculty members from twenty-nine campuses.

The minutes of the Spring Meeting, February 28, 2014, were read and approved with a motion made by Michael Farmer, Texas Tech University, and second by O. Jayne Bowman, Texas Woman's University. Motion passed.

President Hendricks announced the spring meeting dates are February 27-28, 2015 at Embassy Suites.

Treasurer Alba Ortiz, University of Texas at Austin, presented the Treasurer's Report which was accepted. She also presented a new two-page budget for 2014-2015 about which Vice President Michael Farmer discussed the enhancements to the way the report is structured and presented. A motion made by Vice President Murray Leaf and second by Vice President Mary Mayorga approved the budget. Membership approved.

President Hendricks presented issues with the web site and difficulties with sustaining it. The Executive Committee has decided to look for a webmaster to work with us. Treasurer Ortiz stated that the webmaster position will be a paid position and that funds have been allocated in the budget to pay for same.

President Hendricks announced that the spring meeting is an election meeting at which time a new Vice President will be elected for the East and South Central Regions. Nominations can be made by email to Sharon Grimm, Executive Secretary, and from the floor at the meeting.

The Executive Committee introduced four resolutions for the membership to take to their faculty senates. They are as follows:

1. The Hazelwood Act amended to the Hazelwood Legacy Act. Vice President Murray Leaf motioned to accept this resolution as amended. Vice President Mary Mayorga seconded the motion. Motion passed.
2. Handguns Resolution. Vice President Murray Leaf moved to accept the resolution and Bobbette Morgan, University of Texas Brownsville seconded it. Motion passed.

3. Funding for Higher Education. Vice President Michael Farmer made an amendment to remove the word “peak” whereas to fully restore funding would require a 27% increase. Motion to accept amendment made by Chris Ward and second by George Franks, Stephen F. Austin State University. Motion passed.
4. TEOG – O. Jayne Bowman moved to pass, George Franks seconded. Motion passed.

Sharon Grimm will send resolutions electronically.

Under old business, a “thank you” plaque was made for former TCFS President Sally Moreman and an invitation sent to join us for this meeting. Dr. Moreman was unable to attend so Dr. Michael Ortiz, Sul Ross University, took the plaque along with a gift card to her for us.

New business from Dr. Hendricks encourages the completion of the Meeting Evaluation Form so the Executive Committee can see where improvement in our meetings and content can be made. Dr. Hendricks also asked that work load policy information be sent by mid-December.

Murray Leaf discussed post tenure review results.

There being no further business, O. Jayne Bowman made the motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted.

Sharon Grimm  
Executive Secretary