

TEXAS COUNCIL OF FACULTY SENATES
BUSINESS MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2020
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by the President, Dr. Wynne Chin. Present were faculty members from 28 institutions.

Dr. Chin called the meeting to order and announced that one of the major items of business would be the election of two Vice Presidents and a President-Elect.

The minutes for the previous Fall 2019 Meeting were submitted for discussion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Elections for the Northeast Vice President, West Vice President, and President-Elect. The Vice Presidents will serve two-year terms. The President-Elect will serve for one year before becoming the President for two years.

Ludovic Sourdot was the current Vice President for the Northeast region. Nominated for the Northeast position were Ludovic Sourdot and Bill Hefley. After ballots were cast and counted, the winner was Ludovic Sourdot.

Joey Velasco was the current Vice President for the West Region. Nominated for the position were Jeffrey Babb, Michael Ortiz, and Derek Carsam. After ballots were cast and counted, Jeffrey Babb was elected.

The only nominee for the position of President-Elect was Joey Velasco. He was elected by acclamation.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Dr. Alba Ortiz, the TCFS Treasurer. This report was an update of the progress on the budget. She discussed the details of the financials and the status versus the budget. The report covered the period for September 1, 2019 through the time of the Spring meeting. The organization had \$18,909 in the checking account and \$26,025 in the savings account.

Dr. Ortiz projected another \$9,000 in expenses for the rest of the year, but there were still dues and fees to be collected. The organization generally operated within the budget, but she highlighted the effect of rising expenses on the budget. The one exception to the budget was the hotel expenses for the Fall meeting, which were higher than normal. The staff is looking at ways to reduce these and other expenses

The projected budget for the coming year will essentially be the same as for the current year.

Some of the chancellor's funds were used to fund the startup of the National Council of Faculty Senates.

Without further discussion, the Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously. The budget was also approved by acclamation.

Dr. Chin discussed the formation and infrastructure of a depository of information for TCFS. He will keep the organization informed of the progress.

The group was reminded that the dues for the coming fiscal year will be \$400.00 as confirmed at the previous meeting.

With all business concluded, President Chin called for a motion to adjourn, which was made, seconded, and approved.

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