

UTPB Staff Council

Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2009

I. Call to order

Bob Vasquez called to order the monthly meeting of the UTPB Staff Council at 2:10 pm on Thursday, January 29, 2009 in room MB 4206.

II. Roll call

Members present were Bob Vasquez, Karen Martinez, Sylvia Rede, Audra Tijerina, Nathan Smith, Jeff Berry, D. Ellen Reedy & Stacey Fuqua. Members not present were Gloria Carpenter, Susan Germany & Lisa Belue.

III. Guest Speaker/Presentation

None.

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from the December 16th meeting were unanimously approved.

V. Announcements and remarks from the Chair

None.

VI. Announcements from the UTPB Administrative Council (AC) and Agenda Items

Bob updated the Council regarding SACS and the UTPB Accreditation Principle Deficiencies report dated 1/23/2009; changes in student enrollment for the spring semester; potential changes in the university culture, and the upcoming legislative budget hearings. The Council reviewed an article "Top 10 State Policy Issues for Higher Education in 2009" from the *American Association of State College and Universities*. The impact of QEP will vary within the university departments. The QEP will also test the satisfaction and knowledge of students and student employees.

VII. Officer Reports

None.

VIII. Committee Reports

None.

IX. Unfinished Business

Silver Parking concerns have been submitted to Business Affairs.

X. New Business

Nominations and Elections Committee – four members will be retiring in May. Need one nomination from each of the following areas: Academic Affairs, President Office, Student Services and At-Large. Nathan Smith will either put minutes on our website or give access to our secretary. The Falcon Alert messages received this past week regarding weather conditions and school closings were vague. Other committees: First meeting for the Student Union is in February. UT System EAC will meet March 5th and 6th.

XI. Adjournment

Bob adjourned the meeting at 3:11 pm.

XII. Next Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, February 19th, 2009 at 2:00PM

Respectfully submitted,
D. Ellen Reedy