Meeting Recaps

At the **February 14 Faculty Senate meeting**, Senators marked the one-year anniversary of the Agnes Arnold Hall tragedies by observing a minute of silence to remember community members lost to suicide. President Renu Khator discussed delays at the federal level relating to the FAFSA process that could lead to deadline changes for the university. She also fielded questions about information in her *February announcement*, which detailed upcoming budget cuts and decisions relating to the second stage of market-based equity adjustments. UH Associate Provost for Faculty Development and Faculty Affairs Jim Briggs and Senior Vice Chancellor and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Diane Z. Chase shared a presentation about the new Faculty Annual Performance Review Policy (F-APR), crafted in accordance with SB-18.

At the **March 20 Senate meeting**, President Khator commemorated the recent passing of Welcome Wilson Sr. and shared that 100% of the students in the first class of the Tilman J. Fertitta Family College of Medicine were matched with residencies on their Match Day on March 15. Senators were reminded to create and share their ORCID research identifier. UH System Vice Chancellor and Vice President for Student Affairs Paul Kittle introduced himself and, with his team, shared a presentation from the UH Center for Student Advocacy and Community and the Cougar Cupboard. UH Veteran Services also discussed the services they offer the UH Veteran community. Dr. Marti Trummer-Cabrera gave a UH Mental Health Update Presentation from UH Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS).

At the **April 17 Spring Faculty Assembly and Senate Meeting**, Senators heard Provost Chase's end-of-year presentation, entitled *Year One at UH: Insights and Opportunities*. Provost Chase noted the collaborative nature of Cougar culture and highlighted collective accomplishments in areas of student success, faculty recognition, and instructional support. She also spoke about enrollment challenges and fielded questions from faculty about maintaining motivation for continued growth and development in a time of financial cuts. Dr. Claudia Neuhauser, Interim Vice President and Vice Chancellor for Research shared that the UH Division of Research (DOR) continues to make progress in filling staff positions and in improving efficiency in invoicing and other procedural areas. Chair of the Faculty Governance Committee (FGC), David Shattuck announced the results of the Senate elections and moved to delay the announcement of Executive Committee candidates until the May Faculty Senate meeting. Senators also heard updates from CAPS and were provided links to available mental health awareness trainings.

Announcements

**Submit Your Response to the 2024 Faculty Climate Survey**
Deadline Extended to May 14 - The Faculty Climate Survey is an important means for UH faculty to provide critical input that will shape the Senate’s future priorities. See your UH email inbox for more information and a link to the survey. If you have questions or trouble accessing the survey, contact the Faculty Senate at fsenate@central.uh.edu.

**Attend the Next Faculty Senate Meeting**
May 8, 12pm – The next Faculty Senate Meeting will take place on May 8 in the Rockwell Pavilion in the MD Anderson Library. Hear updates from administration, learn about the slate of candidates for next year’s Faculty Senate Executive Committee, and congratulate the Faculty Senate Award for Excellence in Service recipient.
2024 Spring Election Results

Over the past weeks, UH Faculty have elected or re-elected colleagues to 45 open seats on the Undergraduate Committee (UC), Graduate and Professional Studies Committee (GPSC), Research and Scholarship Committee (RSC), and at-large seats. Congratulations to these new and returning Senators! Keep an eye on your inboxes and on the Faculty Senate Website to see other election results, including those for the 2024-25 Faculty Senate Executive Committee.

Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture and Design
Dietmar Froehlich \hspace{1cm} GPSC
Mili Kyropoulou \hspace{1cm} RSC

C.T. Bauer College of Business
Alan Lish, Wolff Center for Entrepreneurship \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Barbara Carlin, Management \hspace{1cm} UC

Cullen College of Engineering
Peggy Lindner, IST \hspace{1cm} At-Large
David Shattuck, ECE \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Dmitri Litvinov, ECE \hspace{1cm} RSC
Fatima Merchant, ET \hspace{1cm} RSC
Jack (Yunpeng) Zhang, IST \hspace{1cm} RSC

Conrad N. Hilton College of Global Hospitality Leadership
Juan Madera \hspace{1cm} GPSC

College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics
Chin-Yo Lin \hspace{1cm} GPSC
Bernhard Bodmann \hspace{1cm} RSC
Rebecca Forrest \hspace{1cm} UC
Brigitte Dauwalder \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Donna Pattison \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Rob Stewart \hspace{1cm} At-Large

College of Pharmacy
MariVi Tejada-Simon, PPS \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Vincent Tam, PPTR \hspace{1cm} RSC
Doug Thornton, PHOP \hspace{1cm} RSC

Research Centers & Institutes
Jakoah Brgoch, Cnt. for Superconductivity \hspace{1cm} RSC

Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts
Amanda Cachia, Art \hspace{1cm} GPSC
Kalliope Vlahos, Theatre \hspace{1cm} UC

The Honors College
Rita Sharp \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Daniel Price \hspace{1cm} RSC

College of Education
Margaret Hale, CUIN \hspace{1cm} At-Large
April Peters-Hawkins, ELPS \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Nathan Smith, PHLS \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Theresa Fedor Amador, PHLS \hspace{1cm} UC

College of Optometry
Jason Porter \hspace{1cm} GPSC
Lisa Ostrin \hspace{1cm} RSC
Ruth Manny \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Chi Nguyen \hspace{1cm} At-Large

Tilman J. Fertitta Family College of Medicine
Gregorio Gomez \hspace{1cm} At-Large

Andy & Barbara Gessner College of Nursing
Danielle Quintana \hspace{1cm} RSC
Deborah Smith \hspace{1cm} UC

College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences
Melissa Markofski, HHP \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Sofia Gellon, Hispanic Studies \hspace{1cm} UC
David Womble, ENGL \hspace{1cm} UC
Kelly Hopkins, HIST \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Christina Sisk, Hispanic Studies \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Hildegard Glass, MCL \hspace{1cm} At-Large
Alexey Golubev, HIST \hspace{1cm} RSC
Alex Badas, POLSCI \hspace{1cm} RSC
Leigh Leasure, PSYC \hspace{1cm} RSC

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