Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Speaker Jim Woosley at 3:19 p.m.

Guest Speakers

Speaker Comments
A new senator from the College of Engineering was sworn in.

In the speaker’s comments, Speaker Woosley announced the Faculty Senate Executive Committee had been meeting with several members of the Board of Regents in a supportive, positive way.

Approval of October 13, 2014 Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes—Attachment A
When the minutes were brought before the body, Senator Angie Price of Engineering asked to have two points included that had been made by Provost Watson on eliciting feedback from faculty and that consolidation does not have to mean centralization. With the addition, the minutes were approved as distributed.

Consent Agenda

GRADUATE COUNCIL – GC REPORT

New Course Request – October 2, 2014

Graduate Council Report
BMEN 622  Bioelectromagnetism
BMEN 641  Numerical Methods in Biomedical Engineering
EDCI 701  Elementary Science Instructional Strategies and STEM Learning
EDCI 702  Elementary Mathematics Instructional Strategies and STEM Learning
FSTC 644  Disease Mechanisms of Foodborne Pathogens
MEEN 645  Engineering Applications of Solid Mechanics
MSEN 636  Damage Mechanics and Failure in Composite Materials
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**Attachment B**

FS.32.58
Motion Passed

**Course Change Request**

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**Attachment C**

FS.32.59
Motion Passed

**Curriculum Change Request**

Certificate in Engineering Therapeutics Manufacturing
Certificate in Quality Engineering for Regulated Medical Technologies

**Attachment D**

FS.32.60
Motion Passed

**Special Consideration**

Dwight College of Engineering
MS in Engineering Systems Management
Request for Administrative Change Proposal

**Attachment E**

FS.32.61
Motion Passed

**Special Consideration**

College of Agriculture and Bush School of Government and Public Service
Joint Degree between Department of Agricultural Economics and Bush School
Request for joint degree between joint degree between agricultural economics and Bush School

**Attachment F**

FS.32.62
Motion Passed

**Special Consideration**

Bush School of Government and Public Service
Certificate of Homeland Security (CHLS)
Proposal for course prefix changes to CHLS courses

**Attachment G**

FS.32.63
Motion Passed

Special Consideration
College of Architecture
Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning
Certificate in Transportation Planning
Proposal to add focus area in Graduate Certificate in Transportation Planning

Attachment H
FS.32.64
Motion Passed

UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – UCC REPORT
October 10, 2014

New Courses
AGEC 438  Investment Planning
AGEC 439  Retirement Planning
AGEC 441  Financial Planning Capstone
ANSC 230  Animal and Research Experience
ARAB 321  Business Arabic
ARAB 323  Media Arabic
BMEN 406  Medical Device Path to Market
BMEN 422  Bioelectromagnetism
INTS 321  Political Islam and Jihad
KINE 404  Coaching Psychology
MATH 225  Advanced Spreadsheet Techniques
MEEN 445  Engineering Applications of Solid Mechanics
MEEN 463  Cogeneration Systems
MKTG 404  Advanced Excel for Marketing Managers
MKTG 430  Marketing Consulting
MKTG 432  Corporate Social Responsibility
MKTG 435  Advanced Selling
PHLT 306  Border Health
PHLT 307  Public Health in the Global Context
PHLT 308  Comparative Global Health Systems
PHLT 309  Population Health Promotion
PHLT 313  Health Care and Public Health System
PHLT 411  Project Management in Public Health
PSYC 450  Clinical Psychology
RENR 345  Outdoor Recreation Consortium
RPTS 404  Sociology of the Community
RPTS 421  Planning and Implementation of Events in Resorts and Hotels
RPTS 444  Service Quality for Hospitality Organizations
SCMT 375  Supply Chain Security
SOCI 203  U.S.-Mexico Border
SPMT 450  Professional Practice in Sport Management
VTPP 439  Non-Coding RNA’s
VTPP 450  Stem Cell Physiology

Change in Courses
AGEC 424  Rural Entrepreneurship I
AGEC 425  Rural Entrepreneurship II
ARCH 327  Conceptual Structural Analysis
ATMO 202  Atmospheric Science Laboratory
ATMO 484  Internship
BMEN 207  Computing for Biomedical Engineering
HORT 484  Internship
KINE 223  Introduction to the Science of Health and Fitness
MKTG 335  Personal Selling
MKTG 345  Alternative Media, Public Relations and Sales Promotion
MKTG 445  Advertising Account Planning
MKTG 448  Marketing Management
OCNG 252  Oceanography Laboratory
OCNG 401  Interdisciplinary Oceanography
RPTS 402  Park Planning and Design

Attachment I
FS.32.65
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences
BS in Community Development

Attachment J
FS.32.66
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
Mays Business School
Department of Marketing
BBA in Marketing

Attachment K
FS.32.67
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
Mays Business School
Department of Marketing
Certificate in Advertising
Certificate in Retailing
Certificate in Sales

Attachment L
FS.32.68
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
Mays Business School
Department of Information and Operations Management
BBA in Supply Chain Management

Attachment M
FS.32.69
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
College of Education and Human Development
Department of Health and Kinesiology
BS in Health
School Health Track

Attachment N
FS.32.70
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
College of Education and Human Development
Department of Health and Kinesiology
BS in Kinesiology
PK-12 Certification (PEK)

Attachment O
FS.32.71
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
College of Education and Human Development
Department of Health and Kinesiology
BS in Sport Management - Internship

Attachment P
FS.32.72
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
College of Education and Human Development
Department of Health and Kinesiology
BS in Sport Management – Non-Internship

Attachment Q
FS.32.73
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
College of Education and Human Development
Department of Health and Kinesiology
BS in University Studies – Sports Conditioning

Attachment R
FS.32.74
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
Dwight Look College of Engineering
Department of Biomedical Engineering
Certificate in Engineering Therapeutics Manufacturing

Attachment S
FS.32.75
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum
Dwight Look College of Engineering
Department of Biomedical Engineering
Certificate in Quality Engineering for Regulated Medical Technologies

Attachment T
FS.32.76
Motion Passed

Special Consideration

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
  Department of Agricultural Economics
  BS in Agricultural Economics and MPS in Public Service and Administration
  Request for a 3+2 program

Attachment U
FS.32.77
Motion Passed

Special Consideration

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
  Department of Agricultural Economics
  Minor in Financial Planning
  Request for a new minor

Attachment V
FS.32.78
Motion Passed

Special Consideration

Mays Business School
  Department of Marketing
  Certificate in Analytics and Consulting
  Request for a new certificate program

Attachment W
FS.32.79
Motion Passed

Special Consideration

Dwight Look College of Engineering
  Department of Engineering Technology and Industrial Distribution
  BS in Engineering Technology
  Manufacturing and Mechanical Engineering Technology Option
  Request for a new standalone degree program
  (BS in Manufacturing and Mechanical Engineering Technology)

Attachment X
FS.32.80
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum (from September 2014)
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
  Department of Horticultural Sciences
  BA in Horticulture

Attachment Y
FS.32.81
Motion Passed

Change in Curriculum (from September 2014)
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
  Department of Horticultural Sciences
  BS in Horticulture

Attachment Z
W-COURSES
October 17, 2014
Courses submitted for W certification
PHLT 311  Narrative Approach to Public Health

Courses submitted for C Course certification
RPTS 402  Park Planning and Design

Courses submitted for W re-certification
BIOL 351  Fundamentals of Microbiology
COMM 435/FILM 489  Rhetoric of Television & Film
ECON/WGST 318  The Economics of Gender and Race
GEOG 324  Global Climate Regions
MARS 280  Coastal and Ocean Resources
MARS 430  Global Tectonics
MARS 431  Earth’s Climate
MGMT 372  Advanced Concepts in Organizational Behavior
POLS 209  Introduction to Political Science Research
POLS 309  Polimetrics
POLS 368  Latin American Legislatures
RPTS 426  Tourism Impacts
RUSS 322  Masterpieces of Russian Literature
SOCI 420  Advanced Methods of Social Research
SOCI 445  Sociology of Law

Attachment AA

CORE CURRICULUM COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Government Relations Committee/Research Committee/Workplace, Climate & Diversity Committee short updates

In committee reports, Senator Jonathan Coopersmith of Liberal Arts, chair of the Legislative Affairs Committee, said the panel would be meeting with members of the Texas Legislature in advance of the next legislative session that begins in January.

Senator Bob Strawser of Mays, representing the Workplace, Climate and Diversity Committee, said the panel was working on a resolution on shared governance and would have something to present at the next Senate meeting.

Senator Ergun Akleman of Architecture, chair of the Research Committee, said the committee was preparing four research surveys on experiences and climate involving research within the university. Subjects of the surveys include proposal preparation, grant administration, research recognition, and research support and infrastructure. He said the findings would be presented to the Faculty Senate and the Executive Committee would be able to take any concerns to the university administration.
Provost Watson noted that about 90 percent of researchers were not filling in surveys sent by SRS and suggested they needed to respond to those surveys.

**Informational Items Only**

**Unfinished Business**
In unfinished business, Senator Ira Greenbaum of Science made a motion to remove from the table an item renaming a biology course. The motion was approved. Greenbaum then moved the item as proposed in the October meeting of the Faculty Senate. That motion was approved.

*FS.32.84*
Motion Passed

**Old Business**
Proposed Revisions to Student Rule IX—*Attachment BB*

**New Business**
Resolution: Support of Standard Procedures in Campus Moves that Disrupt Faculty Teaching and Research
Secretary Rice moved *Attachment CC*, a resolution in “Support of Standard Procedures in Campus Moves that Disrupt Faculty Teaching and Research,” that was submitted by the Faculty Senate Planning Committee and brought to the full Senate by the Executive Committee:

WHEREAS, Texas A&M University has established the Council of the Built Environment (CBE) as a mechanism to make recommendations to the President to ensure that the physical campus supports the university's core missions of teaching, research and service, including prioritization and location of new construction as well as use of existing space and renovation plans; and

WHEREAS, The CBE serves as a forum with broad representation across campus; and

WHEREAS, The CBE seeks input from sub-councils that deal with Facilities Utilization, Technical Review (Infrastructure) Design Review and Deferred Maintenance; and

WHEREAS, The CBE has a policy of providing information so that all Colleges will be made aware of potentially vacant space; and

WHEREAS, The CBE and sub-councils have the ability to take rapid action when conditions dictate; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate encourages the President to ensure that all proposals involving transfer of space among Colleges and/or Agencies on the TAMU Campus that may disrupt faculty teaching and research activities require review by the CBE before a final decision is reached.

*Attachment CC*
*FS.32.85*
Motion Passed

**Committee of the Whole**
Speaker Woosley called on Speaker-elect Strawser to take the Senate into the Committee of the Whole.

Senator Clint Magill of Agriculture and Life Sciences, said that the serves on the Honor Council. When a student is suspended for an Honor Council violation, the Council is not included in the loop for consideration of the student’s readmission to A&M. Magill said he thought it would be good for the Council to be in the loop. Magill also brought up issues with Google mail, saying that Google stores many communications for a long time. In addition, he noted that he
was trying to use Howdy to contact students in class and discovered that semicolons rather than commas between names prevented emails from sending. “These are things that should be looked at,” he said.

Senator Beth McNeil of the College of Education brought up an issue of asking faculty to account for student attendance in courses. It is problematic for online courses, she said, if the students hadn’t had an assignment early in the semester. If they were marked as nonpresent, it affected their funding, but the ability for faculty to change that designation went away. “We have a breakdown in that system,” she said. “We need more clarification on how to change if there is an alteration. How much at risk are we as a faculty if we make an error in attendance?”

Provost Watson responded that the requirement is federal law. “We cannot give financial aid if we do not validate student attendance early,” she said. In addition, the university needs to validate attendance for the visas of international students. “We didn’t think this up; this isn’t our system,” she said. But it is necessary to validate that they at least showed up.

Senator Andrew Klein asked if faculty need to keep track of the last date of attendance for students given incompletes?

Senator McNeil asked how faculty can correct an attendance error.

Former Speaker Walter Daugherity of Engineering said it could be corrected through the Financial Aid Office.

Lynne Opperman of the College of Dentistry said the provost had brought up the role of the Senate vs. CPI vs. Distinguished Professors. “It seems to me the faculty at A&M don’t speak through one voice,” she said. “That significantly weakens us as a faculty and weakens us as a Senate. Will there be any attempt in the Faculty Senate to re-engage these groups?”

Speaker Woosley said the Senate Executive Committee was making specific efforts this year to resolve that issue and would be meeting with the CPI and DPs. He also noted there are plans to have townhall meetings in the spring co-sponsored by the Senate and CPI.

Speaker-elect Strawser then turned the meeting back to Speaker Woosley.

Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.