

## DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

**SECRETARY'S REPORT  
DECEMBER 10, 2018**

**I. COMMENTS**—None.**II. MEMORIAL RESOLUTION COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT.**

On November 5, 2018, President Fenves appointed the following committee to prepare a memorial resolution for **Terrence (Terry) C. Todd**, Director of the Stark Center and Professor, Kinesiology and Health Education: Thomas M. Hunt (Chair), Matthew Bowers, and Tolga Ozyurtcu.

On November 26 2018, President Fenves appointed the following committee to prepare a memorial resolution for **Frederick N. Martin**, Professor Emeritus, Communication Sciences and Disorders: Craig A. Champlin (Chair), Harvey M. Sussman, and Thomas P. Marquardt.

**III. MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS COMPLETED.**

D 16847-16848                      Report of the Memorial Resolution Committee for Mario A. Benitez (Professor, Curriculum and Instruction).

**IV. CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL.**

Effective November 19, 2018, James Davis was appointed Vice President for Legal Affairs replacing Leo Barnes who served as Acting Vice President following Patricia C. Ohlendorf's retirement in late August.

**V. STATUS OF LEGISLATION APPROVED BY THE FACULTY COUNCIL OR THE GENERAL FACULTY.****A. ITEMS COMPLETED SINCE THE LAST REPORT.**

D 16831                      **Resolution in Response to the Trump Administration's Initiative to Redefine Gender.** Distributed through the Faculty Council website on November 7, 2018 and unanimously endorsed by the Faculty Council at its meeting on November 12, 2018. The resolution was transmitted to the President on November 16, 2018. No further action is required.

**B. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS**—None.**C. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS COMMISSION ON COLLEGES (SACSCOC)**—None.**D. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD**—None.**E. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR**—None.**F. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**—None.**G. ITEMS REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT TO THE PROVOST FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION.**

D 15879-15881                      **Resolution on Academic Analytics from the Committee of Counsel on Academic Freedom and Responsibility.** Distributed through the Faculty

Council Wiki site on January 19, 2018. On January 22, 2018, the Faculty Council unanimously endorsed the resolution and it was transmitted to the Provost on January 23, 2018. The Provost, in consultation with Steven D. Hoelscher, formed a faculty working group to develop guidelines for the use of Academic Analytics and to advise on its use, including how the service can assist UT Austin with strategic planning. The first meeting of this working group took place on February 9, 2018, followed by another on March 21 and May 9. The Faculty Council awaits the report of the investigating committee on which Faculty Council Chair Charlotte Canning serves. Its recommendations and guidelines are expected before the end of the fall 2018 semester.

D 16800-16805

**Update to the Core Curriculum Course Lists for the 2019-2020 General Information Catalog.** Distributed through the Faculty Council website on October 1, 2018, and classified as legislation of general interest to more than one college or school. On October 12, 2018, the Faculty Council approved the legislation on a no-protest basis. On October 15, 2018, it was transmitted to Executive Vice President and Provost Maurie McInnis for her information. Prior to the Winter Break, the School of Undergraduate Studies will transmit the legislation to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) for final approval.

**VI. LEGISLATION UNDER REVIEW BY THE GENERAL FACULTY—None.**

**VII. LEGISLATION UNDER REVIEW BY THE FACULTY COUNCIL.**

D 16845-16846

**Resolution to Redesign Student Course Exit Surveys and Reinvent the Evaluation of an Instructor's Impact on Academic Learning and Engagement.** Distributed through the Faculty Council website on November 27, 2018. The Faculty Council will consider the resolution at its meeting on December 10, 2018.

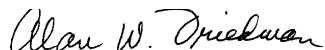
**VIII. STATUS OF LEGISLATION NOT APPROVED BY THE FACULTY COUNCIL OR THE GENERAL FACULTY.**

A. ITEMS DISAPPROVED, TABLED, OR WITHDRAWN—None.

B. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY STANDING COMMITTEES—None.

C. ITEMS UNDER REVIEW BY OTHER COMMITTEES—None.

**IX. SPECIAL COMMITTEES APPOINTED—None.**



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