

The University of Texas – Pan American  
 Staff Senate – Your Advocate  
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 September 17, 2008, 2:30 p.m.  
 ITT 1.214 (Executive Boardroom)  
MINUTES

I. **Call to Order:** Chair called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. (A quorum is present.)

II. **Roll Call**

Name	P	A	Name	P	A	Name	P	A	Name	P	A
Angulo, Joe	X		Gorena, Arlene	X		Molina, Efrain	X		Sandoval, Michael		X
Betancourt, Gilda	X		Hannah, Carolyn		X	Puentes, Alisha		X	Smith, Bryan	X	
Cano, Mary Lou	X		Jaramillo, Maria Teresa	X		Ramos, Arturo	X		Vasquez, Hector	X	
Galan, Yvonne	X					Rios, Mary Lou		X	Ybarra, Mary	X	
Garcia, Teresa R.	X		Martinez, Yolanda		X	Rodriguez, Maria Patricia	X				
Gernentz, LuAnn	X		Miranda, Jaime		X	Saenz, Celia		X			

III. **Guests:** None

IV. **Reading and Approval: From July 9<sup>th</sup> minutes** - Motion to Approved as written was made by Bryan. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Yvonne and approved. Passed with no objections.

V. **Officer Report/Committee:**

Chair-Teresa Garcia: HOP Policy introduced – Dealing with Suicidal students, the process. Teresa Garcia reported the Staff Senate computer has arrived and that it is being loaded with all essential programs

VI. **UTPA & UT System Committee Reports:**

- A) SWIAC: No report
- B) EAC: No report

VII. **Staff Senate Committee Reports:**

- A) Communications: Efrain—reported that website is in process of being updated.
- B) Elections & Nominations: Gilda Betancourt – reported that her committee is reviewing Constitution and holding an election for Norma Luna’s position.
- C) Special Events: Mary Lou Cano – posed a question to senators about the procedure for getting certificates signed by Administration. She will ask Michael to coordinate with Isey at ITT for set up and picture taking at the October 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting. Committee met will set a schedule of yearly events campus event to participate in: HESTEC, Great Pumpkin, Night of Lights, plus off campus weekend community projects – like Adopt a highway.
- D) Special Issues: Patty Rodriguez – reported that her committee met. Two scholarships were awarded for Second Summer Session.

VIII. **Old Business:**

- A) Update on Staff Senate Log – (Suspended due to Chair had another appointment)
- B) Appointment of Celia Saenz and Joe Angulo to Parking and Traffic Committee

IX. **New Business:**

- A) Discussion on the Staff Senate Mission, Vision and Values draft has been tabled due to lack of time. All Senators were asked to send suggestion or comments to Chair by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

X. **Announcements:** None

XI. **Adjourn:** Time adjourned 3:35 pm. Next meeting will be October 15, at 2:30 p.m. location: ITT 1.214.