

The University of Texas – Pan American
 Staff Senate - Your Advocate

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May 29, 2008, 3:00 p.m.

ADM- Board Room 3rd Floor 316

MINUTES

I. Call to Order - Chair called the meeting to Order with 12 senators in attendance. Meeting is called to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call – (from the table below)

Name	P	A	Name	P	A	Name	P	A	Name	P	A
Betancourt, Gilda	X		Gonzalez, Norfilia	X		Puentes, Alisha		X	Sandoval, Michael	X	
Cano, Veronica	X		Luna, Norma	X		Ramirez, Ricky		X	Taylor, Nick	X	
Del Angel, Sonia	X		Miranda, Jaime		X	Ramos, Arturo	X		Vasquez, Hector	X	
Garcia, Teresa		X	Molina, Efrain		X	Rios, Mary Lou	X				
Gernentz, LuAnn	X		Ocanas, Diana		X	Salazar, Gloria		X			
Gilpatrick, Gloria		X	Ovalle, Belinda		X	Salinas, Elizabeth	X				

III. Guests - No guests

IV. Reading and Approval of minutes – LuAnn motioned to approve the minutes from 4/16/08 meeting. Seconded by Nick Taylor. Minutes were approved.

V. Officer Report/Committee

- A) Chair: 1- President’s Council – report given by Dean LeMaster on the School of Engineering, Science and Mathematics and on Robotics competition. Pay plan increases approved were a minimum of \$600 for everybody with a satisfactory evaluation.
- B) LuAnn reported on Stewardship Council – Met on May 14th, 3 p.m. to 5p.m. A presentation was given by Miguel Gonzalez, Assoc. Dean, College of Science and Engineering “Lean Thinking: A Quality Tool.” Senators were emailed the slide presentation for their own viewing. Senators were emailed the results from the online survey of the *Compact*. 431 faculty and staff responded to the survey and their responses were generally very favorable. Discussion of reports due on the calendar. Next meeting June 11, 3 p.m.

VI. Staff Senate Committee Reports –

- A) Communications: Staff Senate website has been updated.
- B) Elections & Nominations – Gilda reported that the senators had accepted Professional, Office of the President, IT, ESS, and University Advancement. In addition, she reported that the Technical and Secretarial are still in process because reclassifications forced the process to be restarted.

VII. UTPA & UT System Committee Reports -

- A) SWIAC met May 8-9, 2008, and Art reported that no insurance premium increased is anticipated for next year.

VIII. Old Business: None

VIII. New Business: None.

IX. Announcements & Adjournment –

- A) Announcements – Senators Sonia, Norma, Art, and Veronica joined America on the Move.
- B) Next Meeting – ADM Board Room 316 at 2:30 p.m. June 11, 2008, Wednesday.
- C) LuAnn motioned to adjourn and Nick Taylor seconded. Meeting ended at 3:08 p.m.