



Faculty Senate Meeting

September 12, 2025

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

THSEC 117A

1612 Henderson Blvd., Kilgore, TX 75662

A virtual link will be provided for attendees who wish to participate remotely.

This meeting was open to the public in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

1. Call to Order
 - a. Meeting called to order by Luke Gless at 10:09 a.m.
2. Roll Call & Attendance – Secretary, Clydea Hale
 - a. Members Present in person: Luke Gless, Madison Campbell, Nicholas Simpson, Clydea Hale, Todd Ketchum, Darrell Smith, Julian Redfearn
 - b. Members Present virtually: Holly McKnight, Peter Cunningham, Andrea Briscoe, Kenya Ray, Carol DeGrasse, Julie Webb, Kim Ellgass, Kat Jackson, Stephanie Williams, Trevor Davis, Jennifer Rich
 - c. Members Absent: Mark Stephens, Charlotte Poe, Tanton Johnson
 - d. Quorum: Confirmed
3. New Business
 - a. Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws: Required changes under SB37 presented by Kate Yglesias beginning at 10:14 a.m. and ending at 10:41 a.m. Overall changes per article were presented via slide show from SB37.
4. Motion to recess at 10:42 a.m. until 10:55 a.m. to allow sign up for public comment. Motion by Clydea Hale, second by Nicholas Simpson, all senators in favor, no senators opposed.
5. Meeting reconvened at 10:55 a.m. by President, Luke Gless.
6. Public Comment – Facilitated by President, time kept by Secretary
 - a. Speaker 1: Danny Darden, OMA requirements and recording of the faculty senate meetings; time used 1 minute 40 seconds.
7. Question & Answer Session
 - a. Kimberly Ellgass 10:58 a.m.- clarification of public comment session- addressed by Luke Gless, no further comments
 - b. Julian Redburn 11:04 a.m.- clarification of OMA recording- addressed by Kate Yglesias, no further comments
 - c. Todd Ketchum 11:05 a.m.- meeting attendance policy- addressed by Luke Gless, no further comments
8. Announcements
 - a. Department Chairs have been contacted for the election of Senators. If any attendee would like to serve as a Senator, please inform your Department Chair as soon as possible.
 - b. Next Meeting: October 3, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in THSEC Room 117A.
 - c. Date, time, location, and link will be announced and posted in accordance
9. Adjournment
 - a. Motion by Luke Gless, seconded by Madison Campbell.
 - b. Vote: All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Submitted by:

Clydea Hale, Secretary

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