ITEM 1. Call to order … Faculty Senate President Elena Izquierdo called the Faculty Senate to order on November 14, 2017 at 3:04 PM in the Blumberg Auditorium of the UTEP Library.

ITEM 2. Determination of Quorum was made by President Izquierdo, who called for a motion to seat the alternative members. That motion was made by Hector Morales, and seconded by Gaspare Genna. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 3. Consent Agenda: President Izquierdo called for a motion to approve the October 10, 2017 Senate Meeting minutes. The motion to accept these documents was made by Lisa Hennessy and seconded by Hector Morales. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 4. Acceptance or Modification of Agenda There being no modifications to the agenda as electronically posted, President Izquierdo called for a motion to accept the agenda. The motion was made by Adam Mahmood, and seconded by Hector Morales.

ITEM 5. Announcements:
A. Laura Rodriguez announced that the Online Course Evaluation form that was developed this past year will be implemented for the first time this December 2017 for 100% online courses. The Online Course Evaluation includes 13 questions for 156 completely online courses.
B. President Izquierdo announced that UTEP hosted a public forum on November 7, 2017 regarding the proposed tuition increases. This forum discussed the differential tuition increases proposed by each college.

ITEM 6. Reports of Standing or Special Committees
A. Executive Council, President Izquierdo
   1. Faculty Senate action reports are now archived on the Faculty Senate website: http:// facultysenate.utep.edu/meetings/action-report-archive
   2. In order for a NTS faculty member to be a member of the Faculty Senate or a committee of the Faculty Senate, the faculty member’s department chair needs to send an email memo to their college dean stating that the faculty member was voted by the department as a member of the General Faculty. The dean must then approve and email the Provost, for review/approval, and then send this approval to the President of the Faculty Senate ( facultysenate@utep.edu).
   3. Evaluation of UTEP university, college, department, and program administrators will be conducted in March of 2018.
   4. On November 9, 2017, the UT System approved the proposal to revise the Faculty Workload and Reporting Requirements. Each institution within the UT System will develop its own workload requirements.
   5. The UT System is reviewing the number and roles of non-tenure system (NTS) faculty in each institution.
   6. The UTEP Faculty Senate currently has 15 committees. Some of the committees have low membership, and some of the committees could be strategically restructured/consolidated to be more effective for implementation in Fall 2018.
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7. The Nominating Committee will be appointed by the FS President to slate candidates for Officers of the Faculty Senate: President, Vice President, and Secretary. Nominations for officer positions will be made at the May 2018 Faculty Senate meeting.

8. The Committee on Committees is responsible for reviewing and approving all membership to Faculty Senate committees. Maria Duarte is the new Chair of the Committee on Committees.

9. Vice President Sandor Dorgo reported on the membership vacancies among the Faculty Senate committees and asked the Senators to recruit members. A Senator asked that the list of vacancies be posted on the Faculty Senate website. [Link to vacancies]

B. Committee on Committees, Chair Maria Duarte
   Chair Maria Duarte provided a list of recommended faculty to the Faculty Senate Committees, motioned for approval, and opened the floor for discussion. Chair Maria Duarte called the vote, and the motion passed with only one abstention. Report: [Link to report]

C. Academic Policy Committee, Chair Meagan V. Kendall
   Chair Meagan Kendall reported that the UTEP academic calendar for the Fall 2018 to Spring 2019 year was previously approved and will not be changed, while the Fall 2019 to Spring 2020 calendar may be modified. Report: [Link to report]

D. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Jose Herrera (on behalf of Chair Maier-Moore)
   Dr. Herrera presented proposed course deletions, updates, and catalog revisions for the (1) College of Business, (2) Geological Sciences of the College of Science, and (3) Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program of the College of Health Sciences. Dr. Herrera motioned for approval and opened the floor for discussion. Dr. Herrera called for a vote, and the motion passed unanimously. REPORT: [Link to report]

ITEM 7. Presentations: none

ITEM 8. Old or Unfinished Business none

ITEM 9. New Business: none

ITEM 10. Adjournment: There being no further business before the Senate, President Izquierdo entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Gaspare Genna and seconded by Hector Morales. The meeting was adjourned at 3:48 PM.