

University Assembly

November 28th, 2018

Tech Pride Room

Members Present: Smith-Andrews, Blair, Bryant, Eaton, Gaetjens, Groundland, Hinton, Lee, Macke,
Null, O'Connor, Smith, Stretz,

Members Absent: Alcorn, Ba
Gotcher, Hanna, Hilliard, Hoff

President Oldham thanked and congratulated the committees for their hard work and dedication throughout the previous year.

Yvette Clark presented the Information Technology Committee annual report. This included the implementation of new subcommittees, increasing TAF fees, and the implementation of the new self-service password portal from four total committee meetings.

Charles Wilkerson was not present to present the International Affairs Committee annual report. It was stated that this committee did not meet last year.

Karen Lykins presented the University Planning Committee annual report. The Tech Tomorrow workgroups have developed 25 proposals that address priority across each of the plan's four goals: Education for Life, Innovation in All We Do, Exceptional Stewardship, and Engagement for Impact. The grand challenge (Rural Reimagined: Accelerating Rural Innovation and Collaboration) was presented, which is the initiative that overarches all four goals.

Linda Null presented the Academic Council report for spring 2019. This included policy revisions, procedure updates, approval of new minors, and approval of new certificates from three total committee meetings.

Cara Sisk presented the Administrative Council report for spring 2019. This included the approval of 22 new student organizations and several policy approvals from four total committee meetings.

For other such matters, President Oldham gave general university updates and highlights from the past year. These included the following:

- Money magazine again ranked TTU as the top public university in the state
- TTU was the top performer in the state with respect to the annual funding formula
- TTU students raised \$80,000 during homecoming for Children's Mirade Network
- TTU became classified as an R2 research university, and is only one of 4 in the state
- The TTU planning process was energized by faculty leadership of the strategic plan
- TTU's cybersecurity team placed top 10 in the nation
- TTU's women indoor track and field team placed first in the OVC Championship
- The TTU speech and debate team had three state championships and a national championship
- The RUC expansion opened
- "I Heart Tech Students" campaign raised over \$330,000 for emergency assistance
- The Capital Campaign will soon reach its \$60 million goal
- Dr. Justin Murdock and Dr. Alfred Kalyanapu received \$2 million in nutrient runoff research funds
- TTU hosted over 1300 participants for the international Baja competition
- TTU announced the Grand Challenge, Rural Reimagined, Gen "R"
- Governor Lee proposed \$15 million in additional campus funding for TTU
- The graduating class of spring 2019 is expected to be ~2500 students

President Oldham thanked and congratulated everyone again and wished them the best over the summer.

The meeting adjourned at 3:57 pm.

