Call to Order
- Called to Order at 5:15 pm

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes
- Ben Moves to Approve the Minutes
  - Anu Seconds
  - Motion Carries

Approval of the Agenda
- Adam Moves to Approve the Minutes
  - Stephanie Seconds
  - Motion Carries

Announcements

Visitors:
JD Thomas, Director of Orbit
- Discussion on Orbit
  - 2-year long process in developing the Quality Enhancement Plan, or Orbit Initiative
    - Overall goal is to take a holistic view at the makings of a successful UTD student
  - Role is to be a facilitator or project manager
    - Freely moving between groups to get projects done
  - At this point, Orbit is looking to improve the community aspect that all students feel

Rick Dempsey, Associate Vice President for Facilities Management
- Campus Master Plan Update
  - A 10-year or more future strategic view that can be changed as UTD moves forward
    - Will likely not be stagnant
    - The themes are more concrete than the specifics of their execution
    - Includes the strategic plan which is Dr. Benson’s 5-year vision
  - Strategic Plan
    - Themes
      - Attract Talent
      - Enrich the Student Experience
      - Engage Globally
      - Enrich the Arts
      - Advance Research
      - Become an Economic Engine for the Region
      - Develop Financial and Administrative Systems that Sustain Excellence
      - Create a Culture of Philanthropy
      - Ensure a Sustainable, Rewarding Campus Environment
    - Targets
- Growth of the student body: undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral graduates
  - To 23,000, 12,000, and 300 respectively
- Growth of academic space
  - From 1,781,065 to 2,300,000 square feet
- Growth of tenure-system faculty
  - From 580 to 710
- Improve graduation rates
  - 4-year to 60% and 6-year to 75%

- Purpose
  - The Master plan articulates the vision/mission for the campus and supports the Strategic plan
  - Address the several deficits that UTD has in several areas, such as academic space

- Strategies to the Master Plan
  - Create a sense of place
    - Like the feel of the library plinth area, but more widespread
  - Increase accessibility and efficiency
    - More modal accessibility
    - Make Loop Road more of a loop
    - Provide more access off Floyd
  - Create a more developed learning environment

- Repurposing land and building use
  - Looking to get more out of the space we already have
  - Keeping green areas sectioned off to ensure a sustainable campus

- New building projects to support expansions in arts, events, academics, and student living
  - More locations that remove inefficient buildings and placements with new buildings surrounding quads, walkways, and other open areas
  - Joint project at UT Southwestern to expand there

- Adam: What does the demolishing of Berkner mean for the skywalk network?
  - Dempsey: That project won’t happen for a while; we like the skywalk, but one of the problems with Berkner is that it is not meant for research, but we’re forced to use it as such

- Jonathan: Can you expand on those proposed improvements to the creeks?
  - Dempsey: A good example would be restructuring to control runoff on the west side.

- Ashleigh: Where would the classes displaced from Hoblitzelle Hall go?
  - Dempsey: They would likely be placed in the new Student Success Center, but I couldn’t say for sure this early on. We wouldn’t demolish without having a place for them, though
  - Dr. Smith: They calculate these displacements and other factors when they put together this plan. It is well made, so there’s no need for concern about demolitions

- Snipta: What is the first step in achieving the goals?
  - Dempsey: Get the ball rolling through more buildings and leapfrog into greater growth

- Tiancheng: What is the priority in construction and demolitions?
- Dempsey: Changes often, but probably a parking garage by SOM first and the student success and student union complex second

**Amy Jassar, President of PERIOD Dallas**

- **Functions**
  - Product drives and fundraising
  - Raising awareness
    - Tampons and pads are considered a luxury item even though they are a necessity
    - Pushing to change this to improve women’s health
  - A part of a similar functioning national movement
- **Past Involvement**
  - Not affiliated with UTD, so went through Gender Center and Preliminary meetings first
  - Project to put menstrual products on campus went into Facilities management
    - They are often lacking the manpower to refill the dispensers
- **Current Needs**
  - Help gathering student support with meetings with Facilities management, general meetings, and donation drives

**Dr. Amanda Smith, Dean of Students**

- SG has been a part of the QEP/Orbit since the beginning, so please help JD if he asks for SG assistance
  - Crucial for new students coming to campus
  - Adheres to all levels of students

**Kim Winkler, Associate Dean of Students**

**Ex-officio reports:**

Briana Lemos, SG Advisor – Absent

**Officer reports:**

President: **Eric Chen (eric.chen8@utdallas.edu)**

- **HOP Committee Meeting**
  - Faculty Workload Reporting
    - UT System had a list of minimum faculty requirements for teaching and completing other tasks
    - Responsibility handed down to individual institutions and their provost offices
  - Student Scholarships
    - Office of Enrollment Management takes on undergraduate scholarships
    - Office of Graduate Studies takes on graduate scholarships
  - Institutional Conflict of Interests
    - A committee overseeing more broad conflicts of interest
- **Academic Council Meeting**
  - SACSCOC
    - Accreditation Agency that deals with universities in the south (including UTD)
    - THECB continuing to move forward with current fields of study
• Ignored SACSCOC representative outreach
  o Testing Center
    ▪ Moved across Synergy to SPN
    ▪ Only university in the region that operates a testing center of that scale
      • 91,000 exams administered last year
    ▪ Jonathan: How permanent is this move?
      • Eric: I don’t know the answer to this question
        o Jonathan: I know some students are upset about how far it is
          • Eric: There are 2 comet cabs now dedicated to taking students there, one of which is wheelchair accessible
  o CEP Recommendations
    ▪ Committee on Educational Policy
    ▪ Policy change highlights
      • Updates to Spring 2019 catalog
      • Updates to FY 2020 degree plans and some catalogs
  o Title IX
    ▪ Policy changes presented by Brandy Davis going through faculty senate right now
      • Came through the model policy set forth by UT System
    ▪ Will eventually be approved or not through Handbook of Operating Procedures Committee

• Energy Drink Removal Rumor
  o Previously, Joey mentioned that there were some talks on whether to create a movement for banning energy drinks on campus
    ▪ Given that this was not substantiated, this should not have been spread by Senators speaking on behalf or on the part of SG
  • Be consistently cognizant of your position

Vice President: Carla Ramazan (carla.ramazan@utdallas.edu)
• Constitutional Amendment Updates
  o Amendments passed
    ▪ Most significant update is removal of requirement to be in SG for a semester to run for President or Vice President

Secretary: Kyle Tupper (kyle.tupper@utdallas.edu)
• Attendance report

Treasurer: Stephanie Royer (stephanie.royer@utdallas.edu)
• Budget report
  o $27,274 left in the projects budget

Committee reports:
Academic Affairs Committee: Jonathan Schueler (jonathan.schueler@utdallas.edu)
• Course Transfer information online
  o Portal that shows where your courses from other schools would go in terms of UTD credit
    ▪ Issue is that it is very clunky and confusing
• Talking to UT Systems department that runs it about improvements

• Core Curriculum Report
  o UTD has drastically less courses in CORE requirements in several areas compared to other UT Systems schools
    ▪ Looking to push for a greater variety of courses to get offered in these areas

• Military Training Course transfer issues
  o Veteran’s Advisory Council convened a subcommittee on this issue
    ▪ Policy on Training Course transfer credit does not get used as a result
    ▪ Also looking into getting transfers more in line with other similar universities

Communications Committee: Alex Holcomb (alexander.holcomb@utdallas.edu)
• Social Media - Update
  o Outpacing our engagement from last semester
    ▪ Photos get a lot better engagement than links or bodies of text
  o Adam: Does Facebook have the ability for alt-text to be added for screen readers?
    ▪ Alex: Let me get back to you

• President’s Brunch
  o Due to setbacks, this will be pushed back to late February
    ▪ Hope to get on more people’s calendars

• AMA Buttons
  o Still in contact with Cornerstone about designs

• Arts Initiative
  o Great support from students and alumni, so plenty of quality art to fulfill our goals and projects

Graduate & International Affairs Committee: Adam Richards (adam.richards@utdallas.edu)
• Global Voice – update
  o Posting sign-ups for volunteering for airport pick-up over winter break and the welcome party at the start of 2019

Legislative Affairs Committee: Ben Darling (benjamin.darling@utdallas.edu)
• Election Day Bussing Project – recap
  o Didn’t get the utilization we wanted, but people who did ride the bus were appreciative
    ▪ Looking into ways for improving the utilization for the future
    ▪ Want to make this a regular, automatic initiative of Legislative Affairs each election cycle

Residential Student Affairs Committee: Zehra Rizvi (zehra.rizvi@utdallas.edu)
• Condom dispensers in Residence Halls
  o Located in the laundry rooms
  o Heard concerns about the dispensers not working

• Rain garden update
  o UV and Residence Life are aware of these issues
    ▪ SG is trying to contribute these gardens with extremely water-absorbent plants

• Extended dining hours update
December 10th-13th are the dates for this semester for the extended dining hours
  - Please utilize the areas during the times specified at a later date

Student Affairs Committee: Anu Emmandi (anuhya.emmandi@utdallas.edu)
  - Nothing to report

Technology Committee: Tanuj Tiwari (tanuj.tiwari@utdallas.edu)
  - VR Update
    - Dan Goodwin and SA are looking for a space for the VR backpacks and a free area
  - Power Banks
    - In contact with the Technology store and Residence Halls about moving forward with this

Green Initiative Adhoc Committee: Joey Campain (joseph.campain@utdallas.edu)
  - Nothing to report

University Wide Committee Reports:
  - Sustainability Committee
    - Joey: Tree Campus USA is certifying our campus as a protector of trees
      - Our Monarch Waystation is also getting a certification from Bee Campus
  - Educational Policy Committee
    - Nikitha: Lot of new classes added in Spring 2019 and next year
    - No more physical forms; all online
    - New BS in Data Science

Old Business:
New Business:
  - Jonathan Moves to refer collaboration with PERIOD Dallas to Student Affairs
    - Anu Seconds
    - Motion Passes
  - Allocate $30 to the Residential Student Affairs Committee’s Bandages in Res Halls project
    - Adam Moves
      - Tanuj Seconds
      - Motion Carries
  - Open nominations for Election Board Chair
    - Adam Moves
      - Carla Seconds
      - Motion Carries
    - Eric: This board is a group of students, the chair of which is appointed by this body
      - Chair is a member of student government not affiliated with any candidate
      - Responsible for promotion of elections and maintaining rules
    - Alex: Nominates Joey Campain
      - Joey Accepts
    - Jonathan: Nominates Jason Waye
- Jason Accepts
  - Julie: Nominates Nikitha Vicas
    - Nikitha Accepts
  - Tiancheng: Nominates Jonathan Schueler
    - Jonathan Declines
  - Joey: Nominates Anu Emmandi
    - Anu Declines
  - Jason: Nominates Alex Holcomb
    - Alex Accepts
- Voting on the Nominees Tabled until next meeting
  - Anu Moves to Adjourn
  - Ashleigh Seconds
  - Adjournment at 6:40 pm

AMENDING A MOTION:
“I move to amend the main motion and...” □ If a proposed constitutional/bylaws/standing rules change ought to be altered, you would amend the amendment so that the correct/change is made before voting on it for approval

OPENING/CLOSING DISCUSSION ON AN ALLOCATION/ISSUE/TOPIC:
“I move to open a ___ minute discussion on/about/for...”

“I move to close the discussion”

EXTEND DISCUSSION EXPIRING OR EXPIRED:
“I move to extend the discussion by ___ minutes” □ Do not overuse for short extensions

VOTING:
“I move to previous question”, “I call to question” □ This closes the discussion upon a second and upon approval by 2/3rds of Senate; if you see a lot of people have something to say, you do not have to approve of moving to voting on the item

APPROVING AN ALLOCATION:
“I move to allocate ___ for ___” □ Needs a second, and then we discuss; when discussion is over, or someone calls to question (see previous motion examples), we vote

DISCUSSION COMMENTS DEVIATE FROM DISCUSSION:
“Point of Order, *gets recognized*, discussion is not germane” □ Doesn’t need a second, doesn’t need discussion, and is up to the speaker to determine if the comment/current discussion is related to the topic at hand

TABLE DISCUSSION:
“I move to table the discussion/Item for next meeting/indefinitely” □ Depending on what the item is, this will most likely move the item to Old Business for the next meeting