

Faculty Senate Agenda
October 18, 2013, 2:00 p.m.
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1. Call to order
2. Approval of agenda
3. Introductions of ex officio members
4. Minutes: September 20, 2013 meeting
5. Old business
 - a. Bryant Griffith: minimesters, and office hours
 - b. Sara Baldwin: faculty awards definitions, and bylaws
6. New business
 - a. VPAA Funk-Baxter & Provost Markwood: understanding and optimizing the Funding Formula
 - b. Speaker's report
 - i. University offices' evaluation of the Aug. 23 New Faculty orientation
 - ii. Scheduling regular faculty forums
 - iii. Survey concerning local tuition remission for dependents update
 - iv. Study of impact of last year's compensation increases update
 - v. News concerning this year's compensation increases
 - c. Committee reports
 - i. Academic Affairs
 - ii. Awards, Bylaws & Elections
 - iii. Budget Analysis
 - iv. Committee on Committees
 - v. Faculty Affairs
7. Provost's comments
8. Other?
9. Adjourn

All,

The purpose of this email is to inform you, as PI, co-PI or sponsored project lead in the College of Liberal Arts, that the deadline for nominations to the Council of Principal Investigators and Research Administrators (CPIRA) has been moved from September 6 to September 13. Elections will be held the week of September 16-20.

Nominations and elections will be managed by Research, Commercialization and Outreach this year, but CPIRA will manage these in the future.

As a reminder, the primary purpose of CPIRA will be to advise Research, Commercialization and Outreach (RCO) on how to provide an effective and efficient research support organization and to achieve national recognition and competitiveness in research and scholarship. CPIRA and those it represents will work with administration to achieve the university's goal of becoming an emerging research institution within the Texas A&M University System.

Only those listed in the attached spreadsheet (red fill are not eligible) under College of Liberal Arts are eligible to nominate, be nominated or vote. Self-nominations are allowed.

Send nominations to both Linda Villarreal [linda.villarreal@tamucc.edu] and me.

Thanks, Luis

PC minutes, 07-29-13: CPIRA – Council of Principal Investigators and Research Administrators

Cifuentes presented a proposal for CPIRA that covered purpose, meeting structure and scope and representation. There was discussion and questions were asked, especially regarding the elections. It was also suggested that since the group will be advisory and not set policy that the name should not include "Council." ***Cifuentes will take the proposal forward.***