

University of North Texas at Dallas

Faculty Senate Minutes

September 4, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Location: STEM 316 / FH 304

Present

Korin Munsterman, Presiding Officer; Joshua Goodson, Associate Presiding Officer; Glenda Balas, Secretary; Curtis McDowell, Parliamentarian; Kieth Gryder; Wes Moore; Aryele Maye; Gary Holmes; Jennifer Baggerly; Bonique Morton; Bhooma Srinivasan; Corron Sanders; Anel Herrera; Julie Southward; Christina Salazar; Warren Nagumo; Patricia Wynn.

Guests

Virtual: Janiece Upshaw; Ali Shaqlaih, guest speaker; Gabe Otteson; Janice Moore; Felecia Epps; Michael Noyes; Patrick Brink; Scott Grimes; Julie Siddique; Jason Garrett.

In Person: Priya Iyer Eimerbrink, guest speaker; Milan Sevak, guest speaker.

I. Call to Order

Presiding Officer Munsterman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., established a quorum, and welcomed senators to the second meeting of the 2026–2027 academic year. Senators introduced themselves and identified their units and constituencies.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of August 20, 2026, were presented for approval. Baggerly moved to approve the minutes. Gryder seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (14-0-0).

III. Seating of New Senators—College of Law

Presiding Officer Munsterman presented two new senators from the College of Law: Wes Moore and Aryele Maye. Moore was nominated to fill a vacated elected seat pursuant to Charter Art. III, § 3, ¶ 2, and was confirmed unanimously by the Senate. Maye was seated as a presidential appointee pursuant to Charter Art. III, § 3, ¶ 3; no Senate vote was required.

IV. Faculty Email Lists

Goodson reported that a request for a list of UNT Dallas faculty and their email addresses had been submitted to the Provost's Office and the deans. A complete list is expected soon.

V. Turnitin AI Detection Ban and Faculty Senate Policy

Presiding Officer Munsterman reported that the university has prohibited faculty use of Turnitin's AI detection tool. She noted that Turnitin's similarity-checking function remains available. Senators discussed the need for additional AI training and resource development for faculty and students.

VI. Remarks from the Provost

In Provost Chris Markwood's absence, Associate Provost Ali Shaqlaih addressed the Senate via Zoom. Shaqlaih reported that travel funding had been approved by the Provost's Office and that further details would be communicated later in the week by the deans. He also reported that the university would post a position announcement for a new Dean of Graduate Studies and anticipated conducting a national search.

VII. Guest Presentations—CITL and CSME

Priya Iyer Eimerbrink, Director of the Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning, and Milan Sevak, Executive Director of the Center for Socioeconomic Mobility through Education, presented on the mission, focus, and training opportunities of their respective centers.

VIII. Intellectual Property and Canvas Course Content

Baggerly reported a faculty inquiry regarding intellectual property rights in faculty-created course materials, including case studies, videos, and assignments. Senators discussed the ownership and transferability of such materials. Goodson reported that UNT Dallas follows the intellectual property and copyright guidelines of the University of North Texas System. Presiding Officer Munsterman directed Baggerly to provide the inquiring faculty member with the relevant policy reference: Chapter 8 (08.003), “Intellectual Property,” in the *Policies of the University of North Texas*.

IX. Faculty Committee Vacancies and Survey

Goodson reported that faculty who completed the committee preference survey are being assigned to their preferred committees when possible; otherwise, they are being placed on committees with vacancies.

X. Course Evaluations—Faculty Feedback Process

Presiding Officer Munsterman reported that faculty will have an opportunity to review and provide feedback on proposed new questions for the student evaluation forms.

XI. Faculty Senate Vacancies

Goodson reported that the College of Law is fully represented and that the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences has one vacancy. He further reported vacancies on the Faculty Affairs Committee and Information Technology Committee, each needing two members, and on the Library Committee, needing one member.

XII. Faculty Senate Meeting at the College of Law Campus

Presiding Officer Munsterman proposed November 6, 2026, as a possible date for a Senate meeting at the College of Law campus. She reported that she would explore obtaining parking coupons and discounted train tickets for attending senators.

XIII. Announcements

Presiding Officer Munsterman announced that the TCFS State Conference will be held September 25–26 in Austin. Goodson and McDowell will attend.

XIV. New Business—Syllabus Language Requested

Proposed syllabus language regarding student food security, requested by Sanders, is presented below for discussion at the upcoming meeting:

“Food Pantry: No student should go hungry. If you face hunger, need access to immediate food, or struggle to afford food, you are not alone. Our campus offers free food and resources to students at the [Trailblazer Care Pantry](#). For help, visit the pantry on the second floor of the Student Center (behind the speaking lab) any day between noon and 4 pm. If you arrive before or after hours, please call 972-338-1816 for access or contact: carepantry@untDallas.edu

Counseling and Wellness: *Additionally, your mental health and wellbeing is critical to your success. If you have any questions, concerns, or simply need support in any way, please contact them via email Counseling.Wellness@untdallas.edu*

XV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.