

# Faculty Senate Bulletin



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“In art, religion, and politics the respect must be mutual, no matter how violent the disagreement” -  
Vincent Price

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This month:



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## 64th Faculty Senate



### The 64th Faculty Senate 2022-2023

Chair: Lynn Ledbetter

Vice Chair: Jennifer Jensen

Co-Secretaries: Dale Blasingame and Ben Martin



## Academic Freedom Corner



Please see the attached report<sup>1</sup> summarizing the findings from the academic freedom survey administered to Texas State faculty during the Fall 2022 semester.

If you would like to contact the Academic Freedom Committee, you can do so at the following link:

<https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/committees/freedom/contact-afc.html>

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<sup>1</sup>[https://txst-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/r/personal/gm26\\_txstate\\_edu/Documents/Faculty\\_Senate\\_Bulletin/Academic\\_Freedom\\_Survey\\_Report.pdf?csf=1&web=1&e=4vdA8h](https://txst-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/r/personal/gm26_txstate_edu/Documents/Faculty_Senate_Bulletin/Academic_Freedom_Survey_Report.pdf?csf=1&web=1&e=4vdA8h)

## Fall Meeting Dates



All meetings are held in JCK 880 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM with a Zoom option (unless otherwise noted on the agenda<sup>2</sup>)

Previous meeting minutes<sup>3</sup> are available on the Faculty Senate website.

### **October 26 (Full Senate meeting- Senators and Liaisons)**

November 2

November 9 (Presidential Academic Advisory Group)

November 16

November 30

December 7 (Presidential Academic Advisory Group)

## Faculty Senate Liaisons



**The 2022-2023 Liaisons will meet on October 26th from 4-6 PM at Alkek 441/442.**

The Senate Standing Rules<sup>4</sup> state:

“Liaisons will communicate individual faculty and department/school concerns to the Faculty Senate. In addition, Liaisons may be asked to meet with the senate from time to time, to gather information, to

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<sup>2</sup><https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/about/meetings/weekly-agenda.html>

<sup>3</sup><https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/about/64th-senate-minutes.html>

<sup>4</sup><https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/about/senates-standing-rules.html>

take informal polls, to distribute and collect faculty ballots, and to perform such other tasks as may be required to ensure effective communication between department/school/college faculties and the senate.”

**To find your representative, please visit the Senate Liaison<sup>5</sup> page on the Faculty Senate website.**

## University Lecturers Events



### **The Department of Mathematics Colloquium Presents:**

**Professor Mohamed Omar --Creativity Amidst Adversity** --Life throws challenges at us when we least expect it, but the world continues to spin even amidst them. How do we move on? In this talk, the presenter shares a story of a life-changing obstacle, how he moved through it, and how it sparked academic creativity he could never have predicted or imagined.

**Friday October 21 at 3:30 PM - Derrick Hall 329**

**Mohamed Omar, PhD**, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Joseph B. Platt Chair in Effective Teaching at Harvey Mudd College. His research is in algebraic methods in graph theory and combinatorial optimization. In addition to his research Omar is heavily involved with mathematics outreach and increasing diversity in STEM. He has won numerous awards for his research and service. He was selected in the 2020 Class of Karen EDGE Fellows, and was awarded the Inaugural Claytor-Gilmer Fellowship of the American Math Society.

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<sup>5</sup><https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/contact/senate-liaisons.html>



**The Department of Agricultural Sciences Presents:**

**Dr. Frank Asche**

**Thursday, October 27, 2022**

**5:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

**LBJSC Teaching Theatre 4-16.1**

**Reception immediately following**

Please join us for this university lecture where Dr. Asche will highlight sustainable food system. Dr. Asche is a globally renewed resource economist with a primary research focus on seafood. Dr. Asche is editor for Aquaculture Economics and Management and associate editor for Marine Resource Economics.

For questions, please contact the Department of Agricultural Sciences at (512) 245-2130.





**The Tomás Rivera Children's Book Award Author Presentations are November 3, 2022 in the LBJ Grand Ballroom.**

9:30 - 10:30 AM Young Readers

11:00 AM - Noon Older Readers

## Contact Us!



Do you have a question, concern or issue you want the Faculty Senate to address? Want to make a suggestion? Contact the senate via our website.<sup>6</sup>

More information about these and other topics can be found in the Faculty Senate minutes posted on the Faculty Senate website<sup>7</sup>, or by contacting your Faculty Senator<sup>8</sup> or Senate Liaison<sup>9</sup>. The Faculty

<sup>6</sup><http://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/contact/contact-us.html>

<sup>7</sup><http://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/>

<sup>8</sup><https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/contact/64th-faculty-senate.html>

Senate encourages you to voice your concerns and comments on any faculty and shared governance topics to these representatives or directly to the senate.

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<sup>9</sup><https://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/contact/senate-liaisons.html>