

Faculty Senate Bulletin



December 2022



"Now the first suggestion is to aim high, but be aware that even before you have reached your ultimate professional destination, if you always strive for excellence, you can and should have a substantial impact on the world in which you live." —Sandra Day O'Connor

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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



If you would like to contact the committee about any concerns regarding academic freedom on campus, you can contact us using our contact form at the link below.

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

Part-time Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award



The Part-Time Faculty Excellence Award, is a means to further the University's efforts to recognize the many and important contributions of the nontenure line faculty. This award is intended to recognize instructors who have not historically been eligible for university teaching awards.

The Faculty Senate, in conjunction with the Nontenure Line Faculty Committee, call for applications for the Part-Time Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award. **All faculty members teaching 75% or less in the 2022 calendar year are eligible for the award.** One award, consisting of a certificate signed by the college dean and a salary stipend of \$1,000, may be given per academic college.

Applicants should submit application materials following the instructions specified in the policy and procedures posted on the Part-Time Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award webpage¹.

The deadline to submit applications to facultysenate@txstate.edu² is **Monday, March 24, 2023, by 5:00 pm.**

¹<https://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/resources/pt-teaching-award.html>

²<mailto:facultysenate@txstate.edu>

Piper Professor Nominee 2023



Dr. Charise Pimentel is the 2023 Piper Professor Nominee

Dr. Charise Pimentel is an award-winning Professor at Texas State University, where she was most recently recognized with the Everette Swinney Faculty Senate Excellence in Teaching Award. Dr. Pimentel's research focuses on race and language as she examines the ideological functions of schools, media, and the larger society in producing and normalizing white supremacy. In her ethnographic research with teachers, Dr. Pimentel examines how elementary and secondary teachers advocate for their bilingual students by challenging specific race and language ideologies within the contexts of their schools. As a teacher educator, Dr. Pimentel teaches about the sociopolitical contexts of schooling and promotes transformative teaching, whereby teachers learn how to actively challenge Eurocentric and language elitist ideologies while enacting culturally and linguistically relevant educational practices.

Congratulations, Dr. Pimentel!

Faculty Development Leave 2023-2024



The Faculty Senate recommended that all the eligible 2023-2024 Faculty Development applications be approved. The Senate's recommendations were forwarded to the Provost for review. The final list of Development Leave proposals will be presented to the Board of Regents for endorsement at their February meeting.

Nontenure Line Faculty Workload Release 2023-2024



The Faculty Senate and the Nontenure Line Faculty Committee recommended all eligible applicants for Workload Release in 2023-2024. The Provost office has approved the recommendations. Congratulations!

Spring 2023 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 agenda³)

January 18, January 25

February 01, February 08, February 15, February 22

March 01, March 08, March 22, March 29

April 05, April 12, April 19, April 26

May 03

Fall 2022 approved meeting minutes are available on the Faculty Senate website⁴.

³<https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/about/meetings/weekly-agenda.html>

⁴<https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/about/64th-senate-minutes.html>

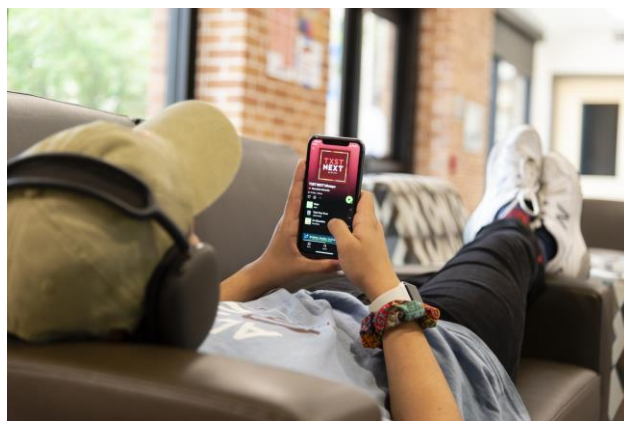
Happy Holiday and New Year



To all Texas State Faculty:

The Faculty Senate wishes you a safe, happy, and restful well-deserved break. See you next year!

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.⁵

More information about these and other topics can be found in the Faculty Senate minutes posted on the Faculty Senate website⁶, or by contacting your Faculty Senator⁷ or Senate Liaison⁸. The Faculty Senate encourages you to voice your concerns and comments on any faculty and shared governance topics to these representatives or directly to the senate.

⁵<http://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/contact/contact-us.html>

⁶<http://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/>

⁷<https://www.txst.edu/facultysenate/contact/64th-faculty-senate.html>

⁸<https://www.txstate.edu/facultysenate/contact/senate-liaisons.html>