

Academic Affairs Council Meeting

August 27, 2024

Summary and Action Items

1. **Valero Award for Excellence** – Dr. Aswath awarded the Valero Award for Excellence to Ms. Daveda Brecheen and Dr. Danny Wescott.
2. **2024-25 IT Goals and Objectives** – Mr. Matt Hall presented the 2024-25 IT Goals and Objectives to the Council.
3. **UPPS No. 08.03.01 – Criteria for Namings** – Dr. Aswath reminded the group of UPPS 08.03.01 and the vetting and approval process for namings at TXST.
4. **Microsoft Office 365 Options for Retirees** – Dr. Aswath provided the deans with Microsoft Office 365 Options for Retirees; 1) stay the course where we continue with the current plan where all retirees, active scholar included, will move from an A1 Plus license to an A1 Standard license which will remove their ability to use the desktop version of the Office 365 applications on 8/1. All retirees will still have access to the online versions of these apps as well as the mobile apps on their tablets and phones. As a reminder, this was the standard licensing model up until 2022 when the desktop applications were added to retiree licensing. There is no additional cost to the university for this option. Retired faculty who need access to the full desktop suite can purchase their own Office 365 subscription with Microsoft directly for \$69.99 / year; or 2) colleges/departments use their P-Card to purchase one-off subscriptions for active scholars as needed.
5. **Undergraduate Admissions Report** – Mr. Gary Ray provided the Council with an undergraduate admissions report. He shared highlights from undergraduate admissions activities and registration.

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| Overall enrollment | 40,632 |
| Undergraduate | 36,808 (90.5% of total enrollment) |
| First-year class | 8,203 |
| New Transfers | 2,880 |
| FTIC 1-YR Retention | 80.2% |
| Transfer 1-YR Retention | 85.7% |
| Total International enrollment | 1,506 |
| Total new students | 12,434; up 652 to date (FTIC, new transfers, masters, doctoral) |
| Credit Hours | 513,418 |
| Round Rock | 2,303 |
6. **Graduate Admissions Report** – Dr. Andrea Golato provided the Council with a graduate admissions report. She reported that we are up in applications, admissions and enrollment. She also reported that of \$2.7M scholarship offers, \$1.2M have been accepted. The scholarship yield has actually increased by 7.7%.