

University of North Texas at Dallas
Academic Council Minutes

April 22, 2025, 3:00PM

FH-306

Dr. Dawn Sales presiding

Voting Members

Dr. Mario Casa de Calvo, *Interim Dean, School of LAS*

Dr. Jason Garrett, *Dean, School of Business*

Dr. Constance Lacy, *Dean, School of Human Services*

Dr. Patrick Valdez, *Interim Dean, School of Education*

Dr. Ali Shaqlaih, *Associate Provost (absent)*

Dr. Janiece Upshaw, *Faculty Senate Vice President*

Dr. Felecia Epps, J.D., *Dean, College of Law (absent)*

Alexandria Renteria Maldonado, *SGA President*

Taj Cobbs, *Director of Academic Advising*

Brenda Robertson, *University Librarian*

Non-Voting Members

Dr. Christopher Markwood, *Interim Provost & EVP(absent)*

Dr. Sara Baber, *Director of Distance Learning*

Dr. Cathy Scott, *School of Business*

Jamie Lee, *University Registrar*

Dr. Dawn Sales, *Assistant Provost*

Luis Franco, *Executive Director of Undergraduate Admissions (absent)*

Dr. Kimberly Chandler, *Associate Vice President, Strategy and Effectiveness*

Jill da Silva, *Budget Office/Staff Council Representative (absent)*

Guest in Attendance

Registrar Representatives (2)

Administrative Support

Rachelle Hutchinson

LaShonda Green

1. Call To Order – 3:07PM

2. Welcome and Introductions – Dr. Dawn Sales

3. Old Business

None

4. New Business

a. Approval of minutes – March 25, 2025

All in favor and none opposed. Motion passed with eight of ten voting.

b. University Policy 6.021 – Curriculum Development and Review

- Chief Academic officer to have final sign off, recommendation to Provost from the voting members of the AC make the recommendation to the provost, ultimately the provost makes the final institutional decision to approve
- Garrett made a friendly amendment that report back to the AC if the provost makes a different decision – *Amendment motioned and all in favor and none opposed.*

All in favor and none opposed. Motion passed with eight of ten voting.

c. University Policy 6.025 – Evaluating, Awarding, and Accepting Credits – policy revisions

- Distance learning definitions were not longer consistent with THECB distance learning definitions adopted by UNT Dallas. Updated definitions.
- Chandler also offered a friendly amendment to remove “self-paced” as a modality for courses as it is not a modality. *Amendment motioned and all in favor and none opposed.*

All in favor and none opposed. Motion passed with eight of ten voting.

5. Course Proposals

College of Law – COL New Course – Course Number: Wills, Trusts, and Estates

- COL Dean was not present but the council felt comfortable with the information presented to vote.
- COL approval was evident by signatures on the form.

All in favor and none opposed. Motion passed with eight of ten voting.

6. Course Proposals

LAS – New Program – Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management

- Non-degree seeking graduate certificate
- Deans will discuss potential impact of courses “management” and business content for future AACSB accreditation

All in favor and none opposed with one absentia. Motion passed with eight of ten voting.

7. Announcements

- SGA President attending her last meeting

8. Adjournment: 4:09 PM