



Senate Faculty Meeting Minutes # 15	
DAY: Friday, November 27, 2020	
TIME: 2:00-3:30pm	
LOCATION: Online using GoToMeeting	
FACILITATOR: Dr. Abu-Raqabeh	
Attendees	Dr. Faruk Taban (non-voting member), Dr. Tawfiq Abu-Raqabeh (Business Administration), Mr. Jason Villanueva (GLS), Dr. Ann Marie Smith (EDUC), Shweta Shroff (Library), Mr. Pete Tijerina (at large -EDUC)
Members Absent	Mr. Ihsan Said (Computer Science), Dr. Karman Kurban (at large – EDUC), Dr. Harun Yilmaz (at large – EDUC)
Approved previous meeting minutes	The majority of the faculty senate approved the meeting minutes # 14
Meeting minutes agenda # 15	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1- To discuss a Pass option2- To discuss the Cigna Rate3- Spring semester: online or on campus4- Graduation Ceremony: Commencement on January 30, 20215- Continue with LibGuides. (Shweta will be presenting this item)6- Frequency of the Senate meetings: set dates for 20217- Recent attendance report, general policy for taking attendance, (require attendance for Spring 2021)8- OER TX Grant9- Course numbering system for internship10- SACSCOC application scheduled to be sent out on Dec 30, LVN update and its implications
Discussion and Explanation to the agenda presented.	<p>1- Pass/Fail option: Dr. Taban explained that the administration will be offered for the Fall 2020, but will not be offered in the Spring to keep the integrity of the letter grade. Dr. Smith suggested NAU make an official announcement of the removal of the Pass/Fail option. Dr. Abu-Raqabeh agreed and indicated that instructors should also remind students at the beginning of the Spring semester.</p> <p>2- Cigna Rate: Dr. Abu-Raqabeh suggested NAU negotiate the Cigna rate or look into other insurance company. He explained that the rate increases every year. He also outlined issues with Cigna not offering coverage for certain medicines and Cigna being dropped from major health institutions so employees are left paying</p>



	<p>out of pocket. Dr. Taban explained the insurance bargaining process and also said he would ask HR about the current rate.</p> <p>3- Spring semester: Dr. Taban announced that all classes will be conducted online.</p> <p>4- Graduation Ceremony: Dr. Taban explained the Commencement will be held on January 30, 2021: It will be a virtual ceremony covering NAU graduates from the 2019-2020 academic year (Fall 2019, Spring 2020 and Summer 2020) as well as Fall 2020 graduates.</p> <p>5- Continue with LibGuides: Shweta Shroff asked for a recommendation from the senate to move forward with the LibGuides project. The senate decided to put the recommendation on hold until the next semester. She also explained that all research would be done by library staff and all LibGuide material would be free.</p> <p>6- Frequency of the Senate meetings for 2021: Dr. Taban read the NAU's constitution and it states meetings should be held on the 2nd Friday of every month or as needed. Dr. Smith will create the Spring senate meeting schedule.</p> <p>7- Recent attendance report, general policy for taking attendance: Dr. Taban explained the importance of the census dates regarding financial aid. Also, beginning in the Spring semester, Jenzabar will be implemented and NAU will resume and require faculty to take attendance for Spring 2021. Jenzabar's E-learning will be implemented fully in Fall 2021 replacing Moodle. Students who are considered no-shows after the census date will be dropped. Dr. Abu-Raqabeh expressed concern of the lockout process recent check point dates in Jenzabar. Dr. Taban said he would inquire about this process to Edra Edwards.</p> <p>8- OER TX Grant: Dr. Taban explained the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board OER grant specifics of Implementation and Development. He will update again during the next faculty senate.</p> <p>9- Course numbering system for internship: Dr. Taban explained the change of the numbering system for internships and thesis courses will be conducted to ensure uniform and consistent numbering.</p> <p>10- SACSCOC application: Dr. Taban said it is scheduled to be sent out on Dec 30th. He also explained NAU is in communication with the Texas Board Nursing on the LVN update and that the university needs to wait for SACSCOC to proceed.</p>
Next Meeting	January 22 at 2:00PM
Recorded By	Pete Tijerina
Adjourned	Meeting was adjourned at 3:25 PM