

Galveston College Faculty Senate
AGENDA
Friday, October 2, 2026

1) Approval of Minutes:

- a) Faculty Senate Meeting of September 4, 2026
- b) Faculty Assembly Meeting of April 10, 2026

2) Old Business

- a) Update on Canvas changes (inability to add people + “clear content” setting)
 - i) Who needs access to Faculty Senate Canvas?
- b) Update on laptop loan phase out
- c) Friday On-Campus hours
- d) Faculty Senate Goals Discussed:
 - i) Faculty Senate representation

Division	Number of Senators	Number of Faculty	Proposed Numbers for 2027-2028
Arts & Humanities	2	14 (24%)	3
Business & Science	3	14 (24%)	3
Nursing	2	9 (16%)	2
Allied Health	2	13 (22%)	3
Industrial & Applied Technology	2	8 (14%)	2

- ii) Travel funds
 - iii) Communication & policy clarity for dual credit faculty
 - iv) Clarification on procedures related to faculty leave, coverage, instructional schedules & communication with partner high schools
 - v) Communication between departments when procedures or services change

3) New Business

- a) Officer’s Meeting w/Dr. Watts
 - i) Caring Campus Initiative (Telisha Murray- staff liaison)
 - ii) Dual Credit policy & schedules
 - iii) Houston Endowment & student support services
 - iv) Strategic Plan (Faculty representatives: Rodrigo Santoyo, Rayssa Salinas & Donna Swartz)
 - v) General Assembly Planning committee
- b) Student evaluations
- c) Faculty evaluations

4) Committee Updates

- a) Compensation Committee Updates
- b) FORTES Committee Updates
- c) TCCTA Committee Updates
- d) TAIP (Technology & AI Pedagogy) Committee Updates
- e) Nominating Committee – work in progress for January (Matt Walker, John Rimar, Rayssa Salinas, Norma Guzman)

5) Agenda Items from the Floor

6) Upcoming Events/Meetings

- (1) Board of Regents-faculty/program spotlight
 - (a) Wednesday, October 14, 2026 @ 5:30 pm – Rayssa Salinas, Computed Tomography
 - (b) Wednesday, November 11, 2026 @ 5:30pm – Norma Gutierrez, BA Business
 - (c) Wednesday, January 13, 2027 @ 5:30pm – TBD
 - (d) Wednesday, February 17, 2027 @ 5:30pm
 - (e) Wednesday, March 17, 2027 @ 5:30pm
 - (f) Wednesday, April 14, 2027 @ 5:30pm
 - (g) Wednesday, May 12, 2027 @ 5:30pm
- (2) Next Faculty Senate Meeting: Friday, November 6 at 1:15pm

7) Announcements