



University  
of Houston  
Clear Lake

## University Life Committee (ULC)

May 7, 2021 10:00 – 11:30

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### Members In Attendance

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Debra Carpenter, Kathleen Garland, Yousef Hamidi, Angela Kelling, Brad McGonagle, Russell Miller, Jordan Mitchell, Violet Peterson, David Rachita, Randy Seevers, Christine Walther, Sana Zeidan

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### Members Absent

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Carol Bates, Cierra Davis, Neeta Jambhekar, Scott Richardson, Shweta Sankpal

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### Alternates Present

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Rosana Salinas, Walter Thompson

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### Guest

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Aaron Hart

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### Action Items

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- Approval of the April 2, 2021 minutes (*approved unanimously*)

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### Information/Discussion Items

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- Adapted HR Policies- Brad McGonagle
  - Dr. McGonagle will be presenting 13 of the HR policies adapted from SAMS at the May University Council meeting. In addition, Dr. McGonagle explained the elimination of the Ride-Out Crew Policy, which sunset in 2012. The policy addressed compensation for staff who were asked to remain on campus during emergency events, but the policy has

been misinterpreted/misapplied. Because other policies address compensation for emergency staffing, we no longer need the Ride-Out Crew Policy. The UHCL Police Department would be the group most impacted by this change, and there are no concerns among the UHCL Police about the elimination of the policy. There is discussion in emergency management about who needs to be on campus during emergency events, and individual units should have clear communication about expectations and policies.

➤ Parking & Safety Subcommittee- Randy Seevers

- The Pearland shuttle is only running if faculty, staff, or students sign up to use it during scheduled times. Anyone wishing to use the Pearland shuttle can see the schedule and sign up for times online, and the shuttle is not available outside of the scheduled times. The Pearland shuttle has not been in high demand during the pandemic, and shuttle service may expand if demand increases post-pandemic.
- The subcommittee will meet with Zipcar in June or July to continue discussions about offering the service on campus. Zipcar has not been expanding much due to the pandemic, but the company is still interested in potentially working with UHCL.
- Initial planning for a shuttle tracking app has begun. The app would track riders and the location of the shuttle in real time. The app has not been approved/funded yet, so it is unclear when the app will be available. A recommendation was made for the subcommittee to work with faculty who have students complete similar projects as class assignments or as part of their research, such as Dr. Soma Datta in the College of Science and Engineering.
- New bicycle paths have been completed, and these new paths connect to the wider Clear Lake area.
- New shuttle shelters are being installed.

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### Next Meeting

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This is ULC's last scheduled meeting of the academic year.