



## Executive Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 – 1:30 – 2:30 pm  
via ZOOM

### Agenda Items

1. Office of External Faculty Awards and Recognition (OEFAR) presentation (attached) – Jeff Gagne
  - a. [jeffgagne@tamu.edu](mailto:jeffgagne@tamu.edu)
  - b. <https://facultyawards.tamu.edu/>
2. Center & Institute Highlight – Maria Escobar-Lemmon
  - a. Race & Ethnic Studies Institute (RESI) presentation (attached) – Troy Harden
3. Diversity Report update – Leroy Dorsey
  - a. The faculty, undergrad, and graduate look submissions looked good; asked the C&I Committee reps for examples of how depts address climate and inclusion in regards to staff.
  - b. Take a look at the [student climate survey](#) to see what the students are saying about DEI issues
  - c. Office of diversity looking for good examples of metrics of success or how to “re-tool” the non-successes—means the initiatives have to be assessed for their effectiveness
  - d. Student council – LA students communicated to them that students who are at home due to COVID feel they are not getting communication from professors.
4. Associate dean for climate and inclusion – three applications have been received. The associate deans are creating the matrix for evaluating the files and the interview questions. Interviews will take place later this month.

### Announcements

- Welcome to Steve Garner as Dept Head in Sociology
- Fall Development Council Meeting (October 15) – Steve Oberhelman
  - <https://academyarts.tamu.edu/Events/Growing-Harmony-Phase-I> - keynote speaker topic
- International travel – Steve Oberhelman. New form was developed to ensure that faculty are taking all due safety precautions, especially to countries with Levels 3 and 4.
- Dept. Faculty meetings postponed until Spring 2022 – Steve Oberhelman. The reason for deferment of fall meetings is that it seemed best to meet with individual departments after the release of the MGT consulting report and President Banks developing her plans and vision for the university.
- SGIP payments for this academic year – Kristine Brisco
  - We have FY22 covered. Announced planning for FY23 SGIP reimbursement support. Will put out a call later spring for departments to confirm faculty hires and PhD acceptances for what SGIP requirements will be needed.
- November 2 from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm – Centers & Institutes Showcase – Maria Escobar-Lemmon
- CLASS Nominations due November 1<sup>st</sup> – send applications to [k-brisco@tamu.edu](mailto:k-brisco@tamu.edu)
- December 10 – Staff Appreciation Luncheon (details to come) – Mandy Stark