

UT HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER. minutes

Leadership Council Meeting

June 3, 2026

2:00pm-3:00pm

Attendees:

Cindy Russell, Jessica Snowden, Peter Buckley, Paul Wesolowski, Raaj Kurapati, Ashley Harkrider, Karla Leeper, Melissa Robinson, Reginald Frye, Charlie Snyder

Guests: Melisa Moore

Absent: Mike Hocker, Wendy Likes (Bobby Bellflower- attended), Ken Tilashalski (Audrey Selecman - attended)

Dr. Buckley called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Central.

Leadership Meetings (Karla Leeper)

Karla will work with Peter and other leaders to refine the meeting structure for the Leadership Council, cabinet, and University Council meetings, including consolidating the groups if appropriate. Discussions centered on three main areas for improvement: clearly distinguishing the purpose of each meeting-group, shifting meeting format from presentations to discussion aided by sharing materials in advance, and better aligning agenda content with the length of each meeting.....more to follow....

Enterprise Risk Management (Raaj Kurapati)

The top 10 risk themes identified across the campus highlighting key areas such as infrastructure, aging facilities, and business continuity. The discussion emphasized that reputational damage can quickly affect business continuity, fundraising, and talent recruitment, with some noting that reputational harm may represent the institution's most significant risk. Also, discussed were the challenges related to social media use and its impact on institutional reputation.

Chancellor Updates (Dr. Buckley)

- Voluntary Retirement and Faculty productivity - cautionary remarks about comments by leaders
- Next Leadership meeting we will discuss new academic year expectations

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. Central.