

LSUHSC Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
Tuesday – January 10th, 2012
Administration Building
Chancellor’s Conference Room, 8th Floor
3:30pm

President Levitzky called the meeting to order at 3:33 pm
Quorum verified.

Those present included:

Allied Health – Erin Dugan, Rennie Jacobs, and Jerald James

Dentistry – Suzanne Farrar

Graduate Studies – Ted Weyand

Library – Rebecca Bealer

Medicine – Jerome Breslin, Costa Dimitriadis, Lee Engel, Kyle Happel, M. Levitzky, Erich Richter, and Joy Sturtevant

Nursing – n/a

Public Health – Dan Harrington, Joseph Hagan, Neal Simonsen, and Xiao-Cheng Wu

Ex Officio – Jennifer Lloyd and Dennis Paul

Those absent included:

Allied Health – Theresa Nicholls and Scott Rubin

Dentistry – S. Brisco, Tom Lallier, and Elizabeth Strother

Graduate Studies – Suresh Alahari

Library – n/a

Medicine – Stephen Brierre

Nursing – Leanne Fowler, Marjorie Kraus, Randy Rosamond, Gwendolyn Stewart-Woods, and Todd Tartavouille (excused)

Public Health – Lynn LaMotte

Ex Officio – n/a

I. Approval of December 2011 Minutes – unanimous

II. President’s Report

1. Meeting with Vice Chancellor Moerschbaecher

- i. Vice Chancellor Smith’s temporary contract expired at the end of the calendar year 2011 and was not renewed. Interviews are ongoing for a replacement.
- ii. Senators are encouraged to bring forth any issues relevant to individual schools or the campus as a whole.
- iii. Efforts to open a branch medical school campus in Lafayette remain on hold. There is continued consideration of a branch medical school campus in Baton Rouge.
- iv. A summary letter was sent to LSUHSC-S Faculty Senate regarding views on tenure clock extension.

- v. In regards to intellectual ownership of lecture material as discussed in recent meetings, Vice Chancellor Moerschbaeher expressed the opinion that ownership lies with the faculty author and not with the institution.

III. Council of Faculty Advisors (COFA) and Board of Supervisors (BOS) – no report

IV. Old Business

1. Podcasting (see above)

V. New Business –

1. Mid-year budget proposal – Senator Simonsen noted that the mid-year budget proposal that contains a \$100M deficit was supposedly to NOT contain further cuts to education and healthcare
2. P-Card –
<http://www.lsuhsu.edu/no/administration/supplychain%5CAccounts%20Payable%5CLaCarte%20Card%5C>
 - i. Senator Breslin noted that faculty are now able to purchase travel items using the P-Card but that questions exist regarding specific rules of use. Several senators relayed experiences with use which resulted in inconvenient and more expensive purchases. President Levitzky will ask various business managers to review the process.

VI. Reports

1. Faculty Senate Committees
 - i. **Education Committee** – No report
 - ii. **Committee Coordinating Committee** – No report
 - iii. **Constitution, Bylaws, Resolutions, Nominations, and Elections** – No report
 - iv. **Information Technology** – No report
 - v. **Facilities Safety and Security** – Reminded the Executive Committee to review longstanding issues of Clery Act compliance and text alerts with administration.
 - vi. **Professional Rights, Responsibilities, and Faculty Welfare** – No report
 - vii. **Research** – No report
2. Faculty Assemblies
 - i. **Allied Health** – General Faculty Meeting was Jan 10. Alumni Day set for Jan 28, 2012. Also, an initiative was put forth to start a committee to evaluate means to fully utilize emerging technologies.
 - ii. **Dentistry** – Multiple construction projects are ongoing, notably major cafeteria renovations.
 1. Payment plan
 2. Inter Professional Education (IPE) – New elective course being proposed to each school's curriculum committee to hopefully start Fall 2012.
 - iii. **Graduate Studies** – No report
 - iv. **Library** – The heat for the main library is back.
 - v. **Medicine** – Held a lengthy discussion on the issue of Dept Head Evaluations. Faculty Awards committee scheduled to meet. Medical Research Day was scheduled for February 23, 2012 to be held in the Medical Education Building (MEB).
 - vi. **Nursing** – No report
 - vii. **Public Health** – No report

Motion to adjourn meeting approved at 4:05pm

Submitted by: C Dimitriades, MD
Faculty Senate Secretary
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