

LSUHSC Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
Tuesday – September 10th, 2013
Administration Building
Chancellor’s Conference Room, 8th Floor
3:30pm

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

Those present included:

Allied Health –Kirk Nelson, Jan Case, and Scott Rubin

Dentistry –Suzanne Farrar, and Steven Brisco

Graduate Studies – Suresh Alahari and Ted Weyand

Library – Rebecca Bealer

Medicine – Costa Dimitriades, Bradley Spieler, Michael Levitzky, Peter Winsauer, Jay Mussell, Timothy Foster and Robin McGoey

Nursing –Ellen Beyer, Katherine Carter, Jean Cefalu, and Todd Tartavouille

Public Health – Patricia Andrews, Dan Harrington, (Proxy Chih-yang Hu), Lynn LaMotte, and Chih-yang Hu (Proxy Dan Harrington)

Ex Officio – Jennifer Lloyd, Erin Dugan

Those absent included:

Allied Health – Jerald James, Theresa Nicholls

Dentistry – Tom Lallier, Julie Schiavo

Graduate Studies – N/A

Library – N/A

Medicine – Kyle Happel

Nursing – Melissa Pretus Hudson

Public Health – Cruz Velasco-Gonzales

Ex Officio – n/a

I. Approval of June 2013 Minutes – unanimous

II. President’s Report –

1. According to Dr. Moerschbaecher a branch campus in Baton Rouge will be established for 3rd and 4th year medical students beginning in July 2014. Approximately 30 to 40 students will begin at this time. LSUHSC is not starting a 4 year medical school in Baton Rouge.
2. Sodexo is not willing to bid on renewal contract therefore coffee kiosk in library will remain closed. Sodexo will manage cafeteria on a month to month basis. LSUHSC will hire an individual contractor to manage cafeteria and kiosk beginning 1/14.
3. Currently faculty senate web page is difficult to access. Senator Levitzky will speak with IT about web page and the possibility of making it user friendly for faculty.
4. The topic of faculty representation on LSUHSC standing committees was discussed. President Dimitriades will speak with Dr. Moerschbaecher to gather descriptions of committees and will update at next meeting.

III. Council of Faculty Advisors (COFA) and Board of Supervisors (BOS)

1. COFA

- i. All LSUHSC faculties are not guaranteed a 4% merit increase. A majority of LSU BR faculty are getting a 4% merit raise. The Ag center faculty will receive 3.8% raises which will be paid for by grants. LSUHSC Shreveport does not know how raises will be paid for. LSU-Eunice will provide faculty with a one-time bonus and LSU-Alexandria does not have money for raises. Faculty does not see written criteria for merit raises.
 - ii. LSUnited is an “independent” advocacy program.
- 2. BOS
 - i. A reorganizing of the structure of the BR campus will occur as the Ag center will be combined with the main campus.
 - ii. New President elect of the Board of Supervisors is Ann Duplessis of New Orleans.
 - iii. Board of Supervisors approved a joint invention administration agreement between University of Miami and LSUHSC-NO.

IV. New Business

- 1. Bylaws revision
 - i. The Senate would like to eliminate standing committees and utilize ad hoc committees as needed. After reviewing the proposed bylaws several items were discussed including who has the right to make an ad hoc committee? The Chancellor, Senate President and any Senator can make a motion for an ad hoc committee and then Senators will vote to approve. Once committee is formed, members of the new committee will either volunteer or be selected by the President. Senator Mussell voiced concern over Presidents selection of committee members. Also discussed was when does the ad hoc committee end and is taken off the agenda. The ad hoc committee will report at every meeting and a Senator will make a motion to dissolve committee. Senator Levitzky made a motion to approve changes to bylaws in principle and get a finalized version at October meeting. The motion was seconded by Senator Rubin. Senator Winsauer will make appropriate changes for October meeting.
- 2. Letter to Board of Supervisors in regards to daily fines
 - i. The Senate has decided not to send a letter as it is a legal issue.
- 3. State employees’ salaries and public view
 - i. The Senate would like to know where this information is kept. President Dimitriades will speak with Dr. Moerschbaeher to see who is responsible for this information being made public.

V. 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** – No report
 - vi. **Professional Rights, Responsibilities, and Faculty Welfare** – No report
 - vii. **Research** – No report
- 2. Faculty Assemblies
 - i. **Allied Health** – No report
 - ii. **Dentistry** – Faculty development day is November 13, 2013
 - iii. **Graduate Studies** – No report

- iv. **Library** – Hosting a traveling exhibit entitled “Binding Wounds Pushing Boundaries African Americans in Civil War Medicine”
- v. **Medicine** – Draft of a social media policy
- vi. **Nursing** – No report
- vii. **Public Health** – No report

Motion to adjourn meeting by Senator Mussell and seconded by Senator Rubin.

Submitted by: T. Tartavouille, MN, RN, CNS-BC
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