

LSUHSC Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Tuesday – December 14, 2010

Administration Building
Chancellor's Conference Room, 8th Floor
3:30pm

President Simonsen called the meeting to order at 3:39 pm
Quorum not attained.

Those present included:

Allied Health – George Hebert, Jerald James, Rennie Jacobs

Dentistry – n/a

Graduate Studies – Angela Amedee, Andrew Catling

Library – Rebecca Bealer

Medicine – Carmen Canavier, Costa Dimitriadis, Lee Engel, Kyle Happel, M. Levitzky, and Joy Sturtevant

Nursing – Marjorie Kraus, Randy Rosamond, and Todd Tartavouille

Public Health – Chih-Yang Hu, Ariane Rung

Ex Officio – Jennifer Lloyd, Dennis Paul, Scott Rubin

At-Large (President) – Neal Simonsen

Those absent included:

Allied Health – Erin Dugan, Theresa Nicholls

Dentistry – S. Brisco, M. Brindis, D. Foret, T. Lallier, Glen Palmer

Graduate Studies – n/a

Library – n/a

Medicine – Stephen Brierre (excused), Erich Richter

Nursing – Leanne Fowler, Gwen S. Woods

Public Health – Lynn LaMotte (excused), R. Scribner, Xiao-Cheng Wu (excused)

Ex Officio – n/a

I. Approval of November Minutes: Tentatively approved but vote deferred until next meeting.

II. President's Report –

1. Meeting with Dr Moerschbaecher

- i. Both Health Sciences Centers in the state are finalizing criteria materials for submission in January to comply with the LA GRAD Act
- ii. Performance measures for the School of Medicine are due 12/21/2010
- iii. Endowed chair in Neuroendocrine Cancer is in process, created with \$600K base endowment via the Al Copeland Foundation.
- iv. Two additional professorships have been approved, in Pulmonary Medicine and Psychiatry
- v. Work underway for placement of an emergency generator on top of the Library, Administration, and Resource Center building
- vi. FEMA has approved the clean-up and waterproofing of the Dental School and is currently actively taking bids

- vii. Plans for the relocation of the School of Public Health to the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Lion's Building is on schedule for Summer 2011
- viii. The School of Dentistry will start charging for employee parking with funds directed to parking lot improvements and maintenance

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

1. COFA

- i. Louisiana Flagship Coalition – coalition of business leaders supporting the LSU main campus becoming more independent from state funding – would entail
 - 1. the creation of a yearly “flagship fee” paid by students,
 - 2. exempting the university from state civil service system,
 - 3. separating the university from state pension and health-care benefits plans,
 - 4. removing legislative and state control of construction, renovation, land acquisition, and
 - 5. exempting the university from the state procurement code, allowing separate travel and purchasing guidelines.

Additional information available:

<http://www.2theadvocate.com/news/111833574.html>

- ii. Baton Rouge campus efforts to remove itself from TRSL
- iii. Recent meeting held in Alexandria, La between representatives from the LSU, UL, and Southern systems. Planning for follow-up meeting in January 2011.

2. BOS

- i. No report – no meeting.

IV. Old Business

- 1. Budget update – LSU System President Lombardi is optimistic that the upcoming cuts will not reach 32%. However, recent efforts by La Governor Bobby Jindal to maneuver federal funds to higher education were stopped by the legislature. See both:
 - i. <http://www.2theadvocate.com/news/112294754.html?showAll=y&c=y>
 - ii. <http://www.wvlrtv.com/news/Lawmakers-reject-Jindal-education-budget-plan-109304529.html>
- 2. Website Advisory Committee (WAC) – Met recently – not fully attended but received additional input via email. Discussed major issues and reviewed recent major overhaul by the Medical School's Student Government Organization of their page on the LSUHSC website. Plan to meet again January 2011 and subsequently meet with representatives from administration.

V. New Business

- 1. Registrar Bryant Faust rescheduled for January meeting.
- 2. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) – 5 year report due this spring. Senator Levitzky will be contacting all schools of LSUHSC-NO for information requests to complete the report. Areas of focus will include the Quality Enhancement Plan, Educational Effectiveness, and Distance Learning.

VI. Reports

- 1. Faculty Senate Committees
 - i. **Education Committee** –

1. Senator Sturtevant contacted and met with Ms Anthonise Banks and Ms Sterling at Warren Easton High School. They are receptive to holding a science session and will discuss specific potential plans, including possible student walk-around and career fair, and recontact Senator Sturtevant early 2011.
 - ii. **Committee Coordinating Committee** – No report
 - iii. **Constitution, Bylaws, Resolutions, Nominations, and Elections** – Recently met. Working on election-timing and rules of senator election. Also discussed some potential Bylaws ambiguities, including revisiting stated mechanics for electronic-voting.
 - iv. **Electronic Communications** – No report
 - v. **Facilities Safety and Security** – Still need to meet with R. Gardner regarding texting/electronic alert system.
 - vi. **Professional Rights, Responsibilities, and Faculty Welfare** – No report
 - vii. **Research** – No report
2. Faculty Assemblies
 - i. **Allied Health** – General faculty meeting 12/14/2010
 1. **AH** will launch new home page
 2. **PT** clinic will reopen Jan 2011
 3. Alumni Association planning Alumni Day March 26, 2011
 - ii. **Dentistry** – No report
 - iii. **Graduate Studies** –Held emergency meeting with Bryant Faust to make provisions to handle registration due to the absence of Jack Hines.
 - iv. **Library** – No report
 - v. **Medicine** – Met with Dean Nelson at last FA meeting who addressed specific faculty concerns and was overall optimistic about the school's overall position.
 - vi. **Nursing** – No report
 - vii. **Public Health** – Implementing revisions of the School of Public Health website and discussed the upcoming move to the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Lions Building.

Motion to adjourn meeting approved at 4:35 pm

Submitted by: C Dimitriades, MD
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