

LSUHSC Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Tuesday – May 14th, 2013

Administration Building

Chancellor's Conference Room, 8th Floor

3:30pm

President Dugan called the meeting to order at 3:32 pm
Quorum verified.

Those present included:

Allied Health – Erin Dugan and Rennie Jacobs

Dentistry – Julie Schiavo

Graduate Studies – Suresh Alahari and Ted Weyand

Library – Rebecca Bealer

Medicine – Costa Dimitriadis, Lee Engel (proxy), Kyle Happel, M. Levitzky, Peter Winsauer, Jay Mussell, and Robin McGoey

Nursing – Melissa Pretus Hudson and Todd Tartavouille

Public Health – Dan Harrington, Lynn LaMotte, and Xiao-Cheng Wu (proxy)

Ex Officio – Jennifer Lloyd

Those absent included:

Allied Health – Jerald James, Theresa Nicholls, and Scott Rubin

Dentistry – Suzanne Farrar and Tom Lallier

Graduate Studies – n/a

Library – n/a

Medicine – Timothy Foster

Nursing – Ellen Beyer

Public Health – Joseph Hagan

Ex Officio – n/a

- I. Approval of May 2013 Minutes – unanimous with one attendance correction
- II. Guest Speaker – Dr Hollier – LSUHSC Chancellor
 1. LSU 2015 Progress – No new information overall
 - i. SACS – President Jenkins chaired a meeting in which he was advised of the importance of separate SACS accreditation of the two health sciences center apart from the rest of LSU.
 2. Budget issues – there was a small mid-year budget cut to education, but an increase in the unfunded mandate always leaves room for uncertainty
 3. 2013 Legislative session update
 - i. Bill to decrease employer contribution to the ORP down to 1.2% was put on hold
 - ii. Many budgetary issues remain unresolved
 - iii. Working on a bill to allow state employees to work for a federal agency (ie, LSUHSC employees working at the VA Hospital)
 4. Hospital Privatization update

- i. LSU Interim Hospital – Agreement between Louisiana Children’s Medical Corporation (LCMC) and University Medical Center Management Corporation (UMCMC) sets LCMC to overtake management of UMCMC on June 26th, 2013. There will be no change to the current number of GME positions at Interim Hospital.
- ii. EKL Hospital Baton Rouge – Accelerated integration to OLOL Hospital has occurred with a large volume increase in OR cases for our GME students. A new education center for LSUHSC in Baton Rouge and construction for a new medical office building is underway. Negotiations for a new undergraduate and graduate student housing complex are also underway.
- iii. UMC Hospital Lafayette – Transfer to Lafayette General Hospital will occur June 30th, 2013 with 20 GME positions. But there is a plan for Lafayette General Hospital to invest and increase activity at the existing UMC Building.

III. President’s Report – No additional report

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

1. COFA

- i. LSU-BR Faculty Senate President Kevin Cope met with Interim President William Jenkins who reported surprised that things were worse than expected, regarding issues such as inequities in faculty compensation at different institutions; he suspects the search for a new President will be a slow process
- ii. ORP – per HB 1131, employer compensation will be reduced from 5.9 to 5.4% with the difference going to the unfunded liability

2. BOS

- i. Healthcare and Medical Education Committee – still finalizing the budget, particularly with regard to the health sciences centers; noted significant challenges to pursuing healthcare delivery missions
- ii. Moratorium on new programs lifted per Board of Regents
- iii. SB 20 – retirees can come back to work as “adjuncts” at max pay of 25% plus retirement
- iv. BP mental health grant – 15 million dollar grant provisionally awarded to LSUHSC for mental health issues stemming from the BP oil spill

V. Old Business

- 1. Motion to table the proposal for a no confidence vote in the LSU Board of Supervisors passed 18 – 1

VI. New Business – none

VII. Reports

1. Faculty Senate Committees

- i. **Education Committee** – Career Day was held last Thursday at the Math and Science High School in New Orleans and was very well received.
- ii. **Committee Coordinating Committee** – a search is on for prospective candidates for Faculty Senate President-Elect and Secretary
- iii. **Constitution, Bylaws, Resolutions, Nominations, and Elections** – a new chair of the committee will be named
- iv. **Information Technology** – no report

- v. **Facilities Safety and Security** – No report
 - vi. **Professional Rights, Responsibilities, and Faculty Welfare** – No report
 - vii. **Research** – Increased costs associated with Grant/Fringe benefits may be associated with increased costs related to the rising unfunded mandates
2. Faculty Assemblies
- i. **Allied Health** – Family Day is in June
 - ii. **Dentistry** – Assembly Day is upcoming
 - iii. **Graduate Studies** – No report
 - iv. **Library** – No report
 - v. **Medicine** – current FA meeting ongoing concurrently with this meeting
 - vi. **Nursing** – No report
 - vii. **Public Health** – No report
3. Faculty Advisory Committee Representatives
- i. Mandatory meeting with new LSU President F King Alexander held on April 17th, 2013
 - ii. Alexandria Summit held on April 20th, 2013
 - 1. Sandra Woodley (UL System President) discussed financial exigency

Motion to adjourn meeting approved.

Submitted by: C Dimitriades, MD
Faculty Senate President-Elect
June 11th, 2013