LSUHSC Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
Thursday – July 9, 2015
Chancellor's Conference Room, 8th Floor, Resource Bldg.
3:30 p.m.

President Farrar called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
Quorum verified.

Those present included:
Allied Health –Scott Rubin
Dentistry – Suzanne Farrar, Kimberly Patterson, and Julie Schiavo
Graduate Studies –none
Library – Rebecca Bealer
Medicine –Scott Delacroix, Kyle Happel, Sanjay Kamboj, Michael Levitzky, Robin McGoey, Jay Mussell, Peter Winsauer, and Bradley Spieler
Nursing – Ellen Beyer, Katherine Carter, and James Foley
Public Health – Adrienne Katner

Those absent included:
Allied Health – Jan Case, Jerald James, Kirk Nelson, and Theresa Nicholls
Dentistry – Steven Brisco
Graduate Studies –Suresh Alahari and Diptasri Mandal
Library – N/A
Medicine –Timothy Foster
Nursing – Jean Cefalu and Gloria Giarratano
Public Health – Chih-Yang Hu, Lynn LaMotte, Stephen Phillippi, and Suzanne Straif-Burgeois
Ex Officio – Costa Dimitriades and Jennifer Lloyd

I. Welcome

1. President Farrar confirmed that the Senate would return to its regularly scheduled Tuesday meeting in August. She also thanked everyone for coming. The Faculty Senate webpage will be updated with the current roster of senators and a new President's address.

II. Approval of the minutes from the June 2015 meeting

1. Senator Levitzky made a motion to accept the minutes, Senator Rubin seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved without revision.

III. President's Report

1. President Farrar toured the University Medical Center and relayed that it is beautiful including beds that can interpret and turn patients, lights in the operating rooms adjust to laparoscopic surgery, OR procedures can be broadcast to conference rooms, 19 operating rooms and approximately 50 bays for emergency services, and the plan is to move all patients from the Interim hospital in one and one-half days
2. Meeting with Vice Chancellor Moerschbaecher
    a. Health Sciences Center standing committees

1. VC Moerschbaecher requests members of the Senate to volunteer to serve on the following committees: Chemical Safety, Conflict of Interest, Faculty Appeals, Animal Care Advisory, and Scientific Misconduct
2. Those interested are to contact either President Farrar or Secretary Bealer with their preferences

b. Chris Winters, Vice Chancellor for Clinical Affairs, is putting together a committee for all schools to coordinate clinical services packages and lines into the new hospital

c. Campus construction projects

1. The entrance to the Trail Building/CSRB will be returned to card access soon
2. The first floor of the Nursing and Allied Health Building is nearing completion
3. There are plans to renovate the first floor of the MEB and it will be similar to the design of Nursing and Allied Health save the granite; funds still need to be allocated for this project
4. There is no known opening date for the IPE building at the Dental School; Senator Beyer added they are hoping it will be open this semester
5. The test pilings for the new building at the Dental School were successful and construction will begin soon; it is funded by FEMA and will house faculty practice, biomaterials, and other departments

d. Budget

1. The budget is flat for all schools
2. We have received some capital outlay money; one project will be work on the simulation labs on the 7th floor of the Dental School
3. There is still a question of another mid-year budget cut

e. Any plans to expand clinics to the UNO building on Causeway Blvd. are on hold

f. Plans for the Interim Hospital building after UMC opens

1. There are negotiations to take over the building as it is mandated it can no longer be used as a hospital
2. The question as to the fate of the equipment is also unknown but initially it will revert to state control; when Earl K. Long closed, the equipment was eventually made available to those who had a need for it

g. LSU-Baton Rouge personnel moves

1. A tenured member of their faculty was terminated even after a faculty committee recommended censure; information about the case can be found at **http://goo.gl/GX9IAl**

2. Stuart Bell has left his position as provost to become president at the University of Alabama; the Dean of the School of Engineering, Dr. Richard J. Koubek, is serving as interim provost

h. The HSC's response to the issues brought up in the SACS review is due at the end of August

IV. New Business

1. LSU Shield app

a. Senator Carter shared that an e-mail was distributed to the School of Nursing with information about the LSU Shield app

b. It can be downloaded for Android and Apple devices and provides the ability to alert campus police to any issues, and also gives a way to contact fire and other emergency personnel

2. Leave for bereavement

a. Senator Rubin questioned whether the current two-day leave limit can be extended

3. Identification badges for UMC

a. Senator Kamboj described how there was conflicting information as to what identification badges would be needed at the new hospital

b. Senator McGoey stated that UMC wants everyone to have a UMC badge and the previous issues where receiving a UMC badge was invalidating the LSUHSC badge were resolved

V. Old Business

1. Revision of bylaws to reflect dissolution of the LSU Systems Office

a. Senator Winsauer is spearheading the revision of the bylaws

b. All of the former Systems Office duties fall on the LSU-BR administration, and therefore references to the Systems Office will be changed to "LSU Administration"

c. The Senate is scheduled to vote on the changes in September

2. Recycling on campus

a. Senator Winsauer mentioned the need to renew efforts to advertise the program and explain the materials that can be recycled

b. The kiosk in the Atrium is now offering a cup that falls within the types of materials that can be recycled; Community is willing to change all cups to comply with the recycling needs

3. Salary compression

a. Administration is looking into the issue and in order to not duplicate efforts the Senate will explore ways to introduce the tool devised by Senator LaMotte

1. The tool has been tested with two schools

2. A meeting will be scheduled with VC Moerschbaecher to compare Senator LaMotte's formula with the one administration is using now

4. Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Utilization
    a. The ad hoc committee will continue to look at the time faculty are spending doing clerical work and are discussing using a survey to poll faculty
5. ORP lawsuit
    a. Senator Delacroix asked if there was an update on the class action suit that was to be brought regarding the Optional Retirement Plan
    b. Senator Winsauer offered to contact Kevin Cope, president of the LSU-BR Faculty Senate, for an update

VI. Reports from Assemblies

1. Allied Health
    a. Their school assembly has met, but there was no news to share
2. Dentistry
    a. Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day the previous Tuesday went well
3. Graduate Studies: no report
4. Medicine: no report
5. Nursing
    a. They now have faculty practice positions at ILH; instruction includes topics such as mask fittings
    b. The Nursing Clinic has expanded their hours, but there are still no times scheduled for early or late in the day
    c. Dean Porsche is also conducting an internal and external analysis of salaries
6. Public Health: no report
7. Library
    a. Rita Premo, liaison to Allied Health and Graduate Studies, is available for editorial services; this will be a library service and can be used to assist with article writing
    b. The Dental and Medical libraries have acquired 3-d printers and scanners through a grant awarded to Julie Schiavo, Head of the Dental Library; official launch of the equipment for the HSC is scheduled for August 1

VII. Motion to adjourn

1. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Senator Mussell and seconded by Senator Beyer.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

Submitted by: Rebecca Bealer
Faculty Senate Secretary