



FACULTY SENATE

Minutes

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

Those present included:

- Allied Health – Rachel Chappell and Krystal Vaughn
- Dentistry – Stephen Brisco, Suzanne Farrar, Julie Schiavo, and Waleed Zaid
- Graduate Studies – Suresh Alahari and Diptasri Mandal
- Medicine – Judy Crabtree (also proxy for Lisa Campeau), Scott Delacroix, Sanjay Kamboj, Michael Levitzky, Robin McGoey, and Bradley Spieler
- Nursing – Benita Chatmon, James Foley, David Kalil, and Paula Kensler
- Public Health –Kari Brisolaro, Tekeda Ferguson, and Henry Nuss
- Ex Officio – Rebecca Bealer (also proxy for Marlene Bishop)

- Welcome
 - President Spieler called the meeting to order at 3:31pm
 - He wished everyone a Happy Holiday and shared delicious cookies with all attendees
- Approval of November meeting minutes
 - A motion to approve the minutes was made by Senator Levitzky and seconded by Senator Farrar
 - The minutes passed unanimously with no changes
- President’s Report/meeting with Vice Chancellor Moerschbaecher
 - IRB changes
 - There are many positive changes in the works, including a streamlined, centralized electronic system
 - CIRB will not have to be run through our IRB
 - Library director
 - An announcement with regards to the choice will be made soon
 - Emergency preparation plan
 - In conjunction with Bob Fahey, the HSC is reviewing who is designated as “essential personnel” and required to report to/allowed on campus during emergencies
 - Budget cuts in 2018
 - Cuts are likely to happen with an anticipated 5% cut of higher education, and possibly an additional 10%
 - More specific information will be available in January, so the Senate may invite Vice Chancellor Harman to provide more insight
- Old Business
 - Response to Senate Resolution 17-01 and evaluations
 - Two bids for software programs are currently being assessed
 - With the new electronic performance survey, all levels will be evaluated

- The new system is anticipated to go live in the Spring
 - Signage for UMC Shuttle stops
 - Signs are needed for all shuttle stops and pickups as exact locations are sometimes a mystery
 - The issue has been escalated to VC Harman and we are waiting for a response from Associate Vice Chancellor John Ball
- New Business
 - Foundation request for faculty mailing addresses
 - The Foundation would like to send faculty information to their home addresses
 - VC Moerschbaeher wanted Senate feedback/support
 - It was suggested that e-mail would be a more effective and cost-conscious option
 - Women's Affairs Committee-School of Medicine
 - Dr. Carmen Canavier is interested in establishing one and was wondering if other schools already have one in place
 - The School of Public Health has a Diversity Committee that deals with gender issues, but not one dedicated specifically to women's issues
 - Electric car charging
 - Interest has come from the School of Medicine and UMC for having chargers for fully-electric cars installed
 - VC Moerschbaeher will broach the issue with Associate VC Ball
 - Children's Hospital will be installing some as part of its current renovations
 - January meeting at the Dental School
 - Next month's Senate meeting will be held at the Dental School
 - President Spieler thanked Senator Farrar for coordinating the visit
 - Teaching Academy
 - The question was asked as to whether there was any update with regards to the status of the Teaching Academy, but there was none at this time
 - Security/emergency notices between the Health Sciences Center and UMC
 - Concern was raised at the School of Medicine's assembly regarding communication, accuracy, and coordination of security issues and messages from the HSC particularly when they reference the street address of UMC
 - As this is more of an issue overall for the HSC, the recommendation was made to bring it to the attention of the Senate
 - Senator McGoey stated there is a request from UMC to be put in contact with the stakeholders at the HSC in order to better coordinate and communicate events and issues
 - At present there is no text system at UMC
 - Messages sent by the HSC are often not helpful
 - Senator Delacroix suggested the Senate issue a resolution to have the appropriate parties at the HSC (General Safety Committee in particular) address the situation, come up with a solution, and coordinate with appropriate parties at UMC
 - President Spieler will draft the resolution, coordinate with Senator McGoey, and it will be presented at the next meeting
- Report from the Board of Supervisors
 - Senator Chappell attended the meeting held Friday, December 8th here at the HSC
 - It was fortunate the meeting was here given the snow situation in other parts of the state

- More information about the meetings are available through the BoS YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiqAfPBK08pgjokzF6s9DiQ>), with agendas and minutes available through their web page (<http://www.lsu.edu/bos/minutes.php>)
- LSU Strategic Plan 2025: Improving the Health and Wellbeing of Louisiana's Citizens through Research, Data Collection, Education and Collaboration
 - Chancellors Hollier and Ghali, of the HSCs in New Orleans and Shreveport respectively, addressed the board
 - They provided information about collaborations, projects, and grants at each of the campuses
- Finance, Infrastructure, and Core Development Committee
 - Of particular concern is the deferred maintenance of buildings on the LSU-BR campus; two buildings are in a state of decay and there is no money available to fix them
 - A proposal to increase student fees to supplement the fund needed to address building maintenance was not viewed favorably by the Board
- No information was provided during the public portion of the meeting with regards to any potential new partners for the hospitals in Shreveport and Monroe, nor of any implications this would have with regards to the HSC in Shreveport
- Reports from Assemblies
 - Allied Health
 - The school recently held its award ceremony
 - Dentistry
 - The new building is scheduled to open in February or March of 2018
 - They experienced a last-minute cut to their budget in addition to what had already been cut
 - The School will be recognized with the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Gies Award for Vision (<http://www.adea.org/ADEAGiesFoundation/Gies-Awards.aspx>) for their IPE activities
 - Dean Gremillon is excited to be hosting the Senate at January's meeting
 - Graduate Studies
 - No report
 - Medicine
 - Dr. DiCarlo reported to the assembly that initial findings of the LCME site visit are positive, and there are only some minor issues
 - They are tackling the issue of part-time employees and their representation in the assembly and Senate
 - Senator Crabtree asked how many other schools have part-time employees represented in their assemblies
 - The School of Dentistry allows them to participate, but it is often difficult for these employees to find time to attend meetings
 - In the School of Nursing, employees with 75% effort are eligible to be voting members
 - The schools have different levels of effort to be considered eligible
 - Of concern is that some departments are comprised primarily of part-time employees, but they are not included in assembly activities, so should the SOM's Assembly bylaws be amended to include those faculty
 - Nursing
 - Graduation is Thursday, December 14th at the Mahalia Jackson Theater

- Senator Foley and his wife are expecting a child in a couple of weeks, and the Senate extended their congratulations and well-wishes
- Public Health
 - The school is still preparing for its accreditation review
- Library
 - No report
- Adjournment
 - A motion to adjourn was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 4:02pm

Respectfully submitted by Rebecca Bealer, proxy for Secretary, Marlene Bishop