



FACULTY SENATE

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

3:30pm-5:00pm, Zoom

Those present included:

Allied Health: Kellie Camelford, Rachel Chappell, Luther Gill, George Hebert, Krystal Vaughn

Dentistry: Stephen Brisco, Suzanne Farrar

Graduate Studies: Suresh Alahari, Diptasri Mandal

Library: Marlene Bishop

Medicine: Judy Crabtree, Jennifer Hart, John Hunt, Sanjay Kamboj, Stephany Primeaux, Chris Taylor, Elizabeth Wisner

Nursing: Rodmistrail Allen, Monchielle Bolds, David Kalil, Susan Lee

Public Health: Andrew Chappell, Tekeda Ferguson, Lee McDaniel, Evrim Oral

Welcome and introductions

July meeting minutes were approved.

President's Report – Executive Committee met with Dr. Moerschbaecher on Thursday, August 6th.

- Alicia Edwards is the new University Registrar, and we have an extended an invitation for her to come speak to the senate at a future meeting hopefully next month. She was previously employed at UNO.
- Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Inclusion – 14 candidates were selected for interview and they will have zoom interviews on Monday the 10th.
- A new Faculty/student clinic has been established in Seton building.
 - It is a primary care clinic
 - Can give advice on COVID-19
 - Can do vaccinations
- Dental clinics offering discount
- Cancer Center is recruiting new director for all clinical affairs
- Keith Schroth is the interim Vice-Chancellor for Finance
- It is suggested that future faculty senate meetings may be arranged in big lecture halls (A or B) for in-person meetings. Discussion followed. Majority of senators prefer to continue online meetings due to COVID risks. We will have a zoom meeting next month and can re-evaluate in-person options at that time.
- Construction still ongoing
 - Still have not received the air rights for bridge from CSRB to MEB
 - Other construction proceeding as scheduled on UMC parking deck, power station by the Roman garage and the first floor of MEB.

- Permission to build a new student housing has been granted from the city (behind the interim hospital). Expected to finish in two years.
- Construction of the bridge (crosswalk) to UMC over Tulane Ave has been approved and it is gone out for Bid.
- CSRB building renovation is going smoothly
- If you wish to receive the weekly construction updates, please visit <https://www.lsuohsc.edu/admin/pfm/project.aspx> and sign up.
- Senator Hebert noted that the old methadone clinic on S.Johnson has been torn down.

Board of Supervisors Report

- Next meeting 8/14/2020 – Senator Kamboj will participate online
- In this meeting, they will discuss the renewal of Center of excellence- Neurosciences and Stanley Scott Cancer Center.

Old Business:

- Faculty evaluation system committee updates – next meeting in on August 18th

New Business:

- None

Reports from Assemblies:

- Allied Health – new senators are Rachel Chappell and Luther Gill
- Dentistry – faculty assembly is coming up and the Interim Dean, Robert Laughlin, will be there
- Graduate Studies – 12 new students bringing total to 75
- Medicine – assembly met last week; Elizabeth Wisner was elected to the senate; new assembly officers were elected; assembly updating and amending its bylaws; majority of classes will be hybrid; searches for chairs continue
- Nursing – new senator elections held soon; in-person labs and some clinics
- Public Health – assembly is this Friday; orientations online; virtual classes except for a few; updating bylaws for assembly and also for Promotion and Tenure.
- Library:
 - Students and faculty do not need to come in to the library to register for a library account:
 - We now have an easy online library account registration form: <https://tinyurl.com/patreg>.
 - Library registration is not needed to use our online resources. Access to online resources is immediately available once an LSUHSC-NO e-mail is activated.
 - Library barcodes can be issued in the library if and when needed to check out physical materials such as a print book.
 - It has come to our attention that some instructors are using outdated links to library resources in their syllabi or on Moodle resulting in students not being able to get to those resources. Please encourage your school's instructors to double-check all of their links before sharing with the students. The library can help with this and we are available to review your syllabi and booklists before the semester starts. Reach out to your librarian liaison (<https://www.lsuohsc.edu/library/services/liaison.aspx>) for assistance.

- We are updating our reserves collection of course textbooks. We have started to reach out to each school for assistance with this project. Please encourage your instructors and course coordinators to send us their booklists or syllabi each semester. Reach out to your librarian liaison (<https://www.lsuhs.edu/library/services/liaison.aspx>) for assistance.

Senator Kamboj asks for suggestions for future guest speakers. Senator Crabtree recommends Cori Higginson.

Adjournment at 3:58 pm

Minutes submitted by Marlene M. Bishop, Secretary