



### Minutes

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

3:30pm-5:00pm, Zoom

#### **Those present included:**

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

Dentistry: Larry Bates, Stephen Brisco, Suzanne Farrar

Graduate Studies: Suresh Alahari, Diptasri Mandal

Library: Marlene Bishop

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

Nursing: Rodmistical Allen, Monchielles Bolds, David Kalil, Susan Lee, Aimme McCauley

Public Health: Andrew Chapple, Tekeda Ferguson, Lee McDaniel

Ex Officio: Rebecca Bealer

#### **Welcome**

**Invited Guest:** Chancellor Hollier and Louis Colletta addressed questions submitted by the senate.

Regarding new leadership positions: There were 4 candidates for the VCAF position, 2 were interviewed. Search committee selected Keith Schroth. The search for the Dean of the School of Dentistry is open for applications through November 17<sup>th</sup>. There have already been 9 applications and 3 interviews. There was one applicant for the Director of Human Resources and one applicant for Chief of Staff. The Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs position search has been postponed.

Regarding pending lawsuits: Office of Risk Management is involved and there is no cost to the university

Hurricane Zeta response: There were different responses from different parts of the city that were considered when making the decision to remain open the day after Hurricane Zeta. Special Leave was offered as an option for those that needed it.

CSRB entry: Need to reduce traffic into the building for now.

Cleaning: High traffic areas are still being cleaned but they have reduced some areas due to cost and data showing COVID is spread less through contact and more through inhalation.

Lions Center 1<sup>st</sup> floor: intent to lease space, one group interested in space for high-volume COVID testing

## Faculty Senate meeting:

October minutes approved.

President's Report – President Alahari and the Executive Committee met with Dr. Moerschbaecher on Wednesday, November 5th. Chancellor Hollier covered most of the report in his discussion.

- New SACS accreditation lead – Christine Manalla, Coordinator for Institutional Planning and SACS. Next report due March 2021.
- Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Inclusion interviews and town hall events went well.
- COVID testing
  - Viral COVID testing will be consolidated at one location (First floor of Seton/LSU Healthcare Network Campus Multispecialty Clinic Building at 478 South Johnson Street), by appointment only. Call Campus Health Clinic 504-412-1995
  - Antibody testing will be discontinued 11/12/2020.
  - Next generation COVID testing will be offered starting in December – can process more samples
- Construction updates:
  - Elevated walkway across Tulane Ave. should be starting soon
  - ILH renovations continue
- Funds available for remote learning programs – contact Dr. Moerschbaecher if interested
- Associate Deans for Academic Affairs meeting next week to discuss plans for Spring semester
- President Alahari presented Past President Crabtree with a plaque acknowledging her service to the senate as 2019-2020 President. Congratulations and thanks to Judy for all her hard work and her continuing guidance as Past President.

Old Business: none

New Business:

- Senator Farrar asked to revisit the Teaching Academy with Dr. Moerschbaecher

Report from Board of Supervisors Meeting:

Senator Kamboj reported a few things that involved our campus:

1. Intent to Lease Agreement between the LSU Health Foundation and the LSU Board of Supervisors for the Lease of a Portion of the Lion's Eye Center Building
2. Request for Authority to Exempt 25% of Tuition for the First Year of the Advanced Educational Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and to Charge In-State Rates for the Program Participants

Reports from Assemblies

- Allied Health – Assembly award nominations in progress

- Dentistry – Thank-a-thon in November; continue to see patients; classes via zoom; dean search continues
- Graduate Studies – Graduate Research Day went well; November 18<sup>th</sup> gender diversity workshop
- Medicine – CAP spoke at their assembly – reminder that immediate family members do qualify for services
- Nursing - Epsilon Nu Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau, Dr. Linda Jones Scholarship Day was November 18<sup>th</sup> (rescheduled from the Spring); fall Leadership Scholars Academy will have faculty development session on Nov 19 and Nov 30; resuming the COVID testing on the first floor of the Seton Building; advanced undergraduate research students will be doing their MUSES program presentation on 11/12.
- Public Health – classes for spring will continue as-is, masters online, phd in person and hybrid as needed.
- Library – American Academy of Ophthalmology ebooks subscription has expired due to publisher subscription model and platform change.

Adjournment