



FACULTY SENATE

Minutes

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

3:30pm-5:00pm, Zoom

Those present included:

- Allied Health –Brittney Wright, Luther Gill, George Hebert, Amber Weydert
- Dentistry – Stephen Brisco, Xiaoming Xu
- Graduate Studies – Doug Johnston (proxy for Suresh Alahari)
- Library – Marlene Bishop
- Medicine – Judy Crabtree, Jennifer Cameron (proxy for Stefany Primeaux), Kelly Gajewski, Jennifer Hart, Sanjay Kamboj, Elizabeth Wisner
- Nursing – Cathy McAtee, Aimme McCauley, Susan Lee, Adele Harrell
- Public Health – Andrew Chapple, Evrim Oral (proxy for Lee McDaniel), Chih-yang Hu, Henry Nuss
- Ex Officio - Rebecca Bealer

Absent: Rodmistical Allen, Larry Bates, Rachel Chappell, Diedra Brewer-Hohensee

Welcome and call to order 3:32pm by President Crabtree

Approval of May 2022 meeting minutes – motion to approve May minutes by Amber Wuydert, second by Kelly Gajewski. Motion passed.

Special Guest: Michael Brochu, Associate Ombudsperson

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President's Report:

Executive committee met with VCAA Porche on 6/9/22

- **LSUHSC Foundation** wants to make sure all faculty are aware that they are also eligible to live in the new housing development called The Residences (the new student housing building)
 - For more information, go to <https://www.liveattheresidenceslsu.com/>
 - Note that the rent listed are *per bedroom*, not per unit.
- **July meeting is canceled – next meeting is August 9, 2022 at 3:30pm.**
- **LA SCR6** (sponsored by LA Senator Cathey) passed the LA Senate and is now being sent to Secretary of State. This creates a “Task Force on Tenure in Public Postsecondary Education.” We will need a faculty representative from our Senate to sit on this committee if it is fully approved. This committee is tasked to “perform an in-depth review of the merits of and need for tenure, to study public postsecondary tenure policies, and to propose any recommendations regarding tenure policies, including any specific proposals for legislation, by written report to the legislature and to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library as required by R.S. 24:771 and 772, no later than March 1, 2023.” Recall the Alexandria and Baton Rouge Faculty Senates have passed

resolutions supporting the current tenure system and rejecting rolling tenure or elimination of tenure.

- *Senator Evrim Oral (SOPH) has volunteered for this committee, if necessary*
- **Institutional Scholarship Committee** has been formed in accordance with CM72. This committee has met once to review a new scholarship program, and will meet at least quarterly.
 - *Senator Susan Lee (SON) has volunteered for this committee*
- **Financial Aid Office** has identified a consultant firm to do a comprehensive review and to recommend strategies for improvement, including but not limited to strategies to streamline processes, electronic document control, etc. They are awaiting a scope of services agreement.
- **SACSCOC Accreditation** – we have submitted a request for a Differentiated Review Process for accreditation (an easier path to accreditation, we would respond to fewer accreditation standards in our 10 year review) but we may not qualify since we have so many interims in leadership positions. Worst they can say is no and we undergo the full review.
- **Library** has had some retirements and is advertising some new positions. They are evaluating the NIH requirements for Data Sharing to determine the role of the library in data repository and data sharing agreements.
- **Student Health Clinic** is continuing their evaluation and working on long-term solutions to the student health issues of clearance. Working to utilize more features of PeopleSoft that will allow students to upload their own health information. They anticipate hiring one additional person in student health to alleviate the administrative burden and they are working on the position description for that person.
- **VCAA Transition Plan** is in progress. Each of the divisions reporting to VCAA are developing a “state of the department” status report to be presented to the new VCAA once hired.
- **Animal Care** has requested a climate controlled vehicle for animal transport. The vehicle purchase has been approved, but the initial quotes are much higher than the budget can support. Looking at alternatives.
- **Interim Chancellor Nelson** is planning an All Hands Meeting on June 29 at 3pm.

Board of Supervisors Report (Senators Kamboj and Primeaux)

Meeting to be held on June 17th

Old Business

- Moodle subcommittee report (Senator McCauley)
 - Moodle update like it went okay, SON is having in services to learn about how to use Moodle.
 - Any issues in other schools can be reported to Senator McCauley
 - ExamSoft – making progress on this, but not all schools desire a new testing platform (mostly just SOM doesn’t want it since they already have QuestionMark). Please talk to Assemblies and see if we should do separate proposals from each school, or if we need to issue a single proposal via Senate.
- Paid Parental Leave – Senator Cameron and the SOM WAC are trying to set up meeting maybe late July after the Special Emergency Session of the LA Legislature is over.
 - PM20 was just revised and approved, assume new CMs will be forthcoming
- LSUHSC-wide Chancellor’s Exceptional Service Awards (Senator Alahari)
 - Plan to announce at All Hands meeting on June 29
 - Process writeup is in the beginning stages and they’ll work on this.

- Campus Disaster Relief Committee (Senator McCauley)
 - Met May 20th and the committee was happy to approve \$500 to one applicant and \$1500 to another applicant to help offset the damages from the tornadoes that struck New Orleans. This committee will define and codify the process for future committees. The paperwork is all signed and checks will be mailed soon. The checks will be accompanied by a letter that will be signed anonymously by the Campus Disaster Relief Committee.
- AEDs have been approved – in discussion with John Ball for placement and Rob Parker to purchase.
 - Training module in KDS to be developed in collaboration with Dr. Zee Ali (SOM, cardiology)
 - Also considering providing a hands-on training class using our simulation center in SOM

New Business

- Electric car charger proposal is moving forward – discussing options of how/where to install and how to pay for them.
- Vote on new Executive Board for Senate – in your email, voting is only for Senators/proxies and will be open for voting until noon on Wednesday 6/15:
 - President-Elect: Aimee McCauley
 - Secretary: Stefany Primeaux
 - BOS rep: Sanjay Kamboj, Henry Nuss, Suresh Alahari
- Future Senate guests
 - Alicia Edwards, Registrar and Director of DEI Initiatives
 - Michael Estes, HR consultant

Reports from Assemblies

Allied Health – Held elections for new delegates, they are updating their assembly bylaws, and are trying to plan a family day

Dentistry – having interviews for SOD Dean starting tomorrow.

Graduate Studies – held a long meeting focused on the state of admissions of the graduate programs. Only 3 new students this fall due to low number of applications and quality applications. Considering several things including: consolidation of all the different department applications into one application process, dropping the GRE requirement, raising application fees, a 1year Master's degree, and consolidating all programs into one single graduate studies program with different tracks. The recruitment committee has developed a program called Tiger Scientists which is aimed at 4th year undergrads to prepare them for success in a graduate program.

Medicine – Elections of new members

Nursing – Dr Porche is working with the Joanna Briggs institute to find a new site director here at LSUHSC – Marsha Bennett retired. New scholarship money and searching for Associate Dean of Nursing Research. SON looking for an EHR...considering EHR Go for training and educational purposes.

Public Health – having elections soon, new senators in next meeting, merit based raises conversations.

Library – no report, but this is Marlene’s last meeting, since she is rotating off Senate.

Adjournment at 4:39pm – motion to adjourn Sanjay Kamboj

Respectfully submitted by President Crabtree