LSUHSC Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes Tuesday – August 13th, 2013

Administration Building Chancellor's Conference Room, 8th Floor 3:30pm

President Dimitriades called the meeting to order at 3:31 pm Quorum verified.

Those present included: **Allied Health** – Erin Dugan, Theresa Nicholls, and Scott Rubin **Dentistry** – Julie Schiavo, Suzanne Farrar, Tom Lallier, and Steven Brisco **Graduate Studies** – Suresh Alahari and Ted Weyand **Library** – Rebecca Bealer **Medicine** – Costa Dimitriades, Bradley Spieler, Michael Levitzky, Peter Winsauer, Jay Mussell, Timothy Foster and Robin McGoey **Nursing** – Melissa Pretus-Hudson, Ellen Beyer, Katherine Carter, Jean Cefalu, and Todd Tartavoulle **Public Health** – Patricia Andrews, Dan Harrington, Lynn LaMotte (Proxy Quingzhao Yu), Cruz Velasco-Gonzales, and Chih-yang Hu (Proxy Dan Harrington) **Ex Officio** – Jennifer Lloyd

Those absent included: Allied Health – n/a Dentistry – n/a Graduate Studies – n/a Library – n/a Medicine – Kyle Happel Nursing – n/a Public Health – n/a Ex Officio – n/a

- I. Approval of June 2013 Minutes unanimous
- II. President's Report -
 - 1. Merit based increases have been approved and will be effective 10/1/13. A max 4% merit increase can be received and will be determined by department heads. Guidelines have been established and ineligible faculty include those who have received an increase in salary or a promotion in the last fiscal year and faculty hired after 1/13.
 - 2. SACSCOC report is being generated. LSUHSC report is due 9/14 with an onsite visit occurring March 24-26, 2015. The onsite visit will focus on Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). LSUHSC's QEP will be Interprofessional Education.
 - a. Most common SACSCOC citations include institutional effectiveness and faculty qualifications.
- III. Council of Faculty Advisors (COFA) and Board of Supervisors (BOS)1. COFA

- i. LSU-BR Faculty Senate President Kevin Cope met with President King Alexander and discussions focused on plans for faculty, salary compensation and salary compression.
- 2. Transition Advisory Team
 - i. LSU 2015 Strategic Map is poorly written, lacks specificity, and is not concrete.
 - ii. We need to expand out of state recruiting to increase income.
- 3. BOS
 - i. Several faculty who have left the LSU system wrote letters with reasons for leaving. The theme for leaving focused on lack of support.

IV. New Business

- 1. LSU 2015 Strategic Map-Addressed in previous section.
- 2. Standing Committee discussion
 - i. Discussion focused on changing the structure of the senate to decrease number of standing committees and form committees on an ad hoc basis. After discussion, Theresa Nicholls made a motion to eliminate standing committees of the faculty senate and form committees on an ad hoc basis. Tom Lallier seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Peter Winsauer will review bylaws and draft new bylaws addressing the reduction of committees. The new bylaws will be circulated to the Senate for vote at next meeting.
- 3. Social Networking Policy Discussion
 - i. Dr. Moerschbaecher believes each school should address this issue and does not favor a social networking policy for the entire Health Sciences Center.
 - ii. Discussion focused on issues different schools have been facing. The SON provides information at level orientation addressing social networking and possible consequences. Senators will discuss issues of social networking with their respective schools.
- 4. Faculty Senate Website
 - i. Needs to be more accessible and revamped. Jennifer Loyd will work on the website.

V. Reports

- 1. Faculty Senate Committees
 - i. Education Committee No report.
 - ii. **Committee Coordinating Committee** Allied Health needs to recruit 3 more Senators and dentistry needs to recruit 1 more Senator. Erin Dugan is now ex officio.
 - iii. Constitution, Bylaws, Resolutions, Nominations, and Elections no report
 - iv. Information Technology No report
 - v. Facilities Safety and Security No report
 - vi. Professional Rights, Responsibilities, and Faculty Welfare No report
 - vii. Research No report
- 2. Faculty Assemblies
 - i. Allied Health No report
 - ii. **Dentistry** No report
 - iii. Graduate Studies No report
 - iv. **Library** New dental library
 - v. Medicine No report
 - vi. Nursing No report

vii. **Public Health** – Don Mercante will be new Associate Dean

Motion to adjourn meeting approved.

Submitted by: T. Tartavoulle, MN, RN, CNS-BC Faculty Senate Secretary August 13, 2013