## LSUHSC Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes Tuesday – January 14th, 2014

Administration Building Chancellor's Conference Room, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor 3:30pm

President Dimitriades called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm Quorum verified.

Those present included: **Allied Health** – Kirk Nelson, Theresa Nicholls, Scott Rubin **Dentistry** – Steven Brisco and Kitrina Cordell **Graduate Studies** –Ted Weyand **Library** – Rebecca Bealer **Medicine** – Costa Dimitriades, Michael Levitzky, Peter Winsauer, Kyle Happel and Jay Mussell **Nursing** –Ellen Beyer, Katherine Carter, and Todd Tartavoulle **Public Health** – Patricia Andrews, Dan Harrignton, and Lynn LaMotte **Ex Officio** – Jennifer Lloyd and Erin Dugan

Those absent included: **Allied Health** – Jerald James and Jan Case **Dentistry** – Tom Lallier, Julie Schiavo (Excused), and Suzanne Farrar (Excused) **Graduate Studies** – Suresh Alahari **Library** – N/A **Medicine** – Timothy Foster, Robin McGoey, and Bradley Spieler, **Nursing** – Jean Cefalu (Excused) and Melissa Pretus-Hudson (Excused) **Public Health** – Cruz Velasco-Gonzales and Chih-yang Hu **Ex Officio** – N/A

- I. Approval of December 2013 Minutes unanimous
- II. President's Report:
  - 1. Addressed IPEDS document. Document addresses issues such as we work with less in regards to faculty and provide fewer higher level degrees. Our salaries are below average.
- III. Recycling Ad Hoc Committee Report
  - Committee met in mid-December. Approximately 15 to 20 medical school students are involved. President Dimitriades met with Mr. John Ball to discuss recycling on campus. Mr. Ball advised President Dimitriades to meet with the Maurice Coleman the manager of physical plant to obtain numbers of contacts who can help and develop proposal. Once proposal is developed then it will be presented to Chancellor Hollier.

## IV. New Business

- 1. Insurance Provider Change: Insurance provider changed but there was no clear announcement except for card received in the mail. Senator Happel stated if substantial changes occurred in services provided then a letter should have been sent out to employees. President Dimitriades will invite Director of Human Resources Marie Cole to address the senate at our next meeting.
- 2. Office Temperatures: Senator LaMotte stated office temperatures throughout the Health Sciences Center remain a problem. Offices tend to be either very cold or hot. Senator

Levitzky will discuss with Dr. Moerschbaecher and the School of Public Health will construct a campus wide survey.

- 3. Optional Retirement Plan: Effective July 1, 2014, the employer match for higher education ORP participants will decrease from 5.1839% to 3.6658%. President Dimitriades will invite Director of Human Resources Marie Cole to address the senate at our next meeting.
- 4. Senator Nicholls stated the call boxes have been removed from the crosswalks.
- 5. Faculty Assemblies
  - i. **Allied Health** No report.
  - ii. **Dentistry** Dress code went into effect January 2014.
  - iii. Graduate Studies No report.
  - iv. Library No report.
  - v. **Medicine** There are a lack of crosswalks around the LSUHSC's campus and this is dangerous due to the high amount of foot traffic. Dental School has crosswalks.
  - vi. **Nursing** No report.
  - vii. **Public Health** No report.

Motion to adjourn meeting by President Dimitriades and seconded by Senator Tartavoulle.

Submitted by: T. Tartavoulle, DNS, APRN, CNS-BC Faculty Senate Secretary January 14, 2014