March 5, 2015 Faculty Assembly Minutes:

Present:

Donna Neumann, Lee Engel, Catherine Hebert, Judy Crabtree, Zee Ali, Robin English, Sanjay Kamboj, Peter Winsauer, David Welsh, Chris Taylor, Alison Quayle, Lisa Harrison-Bernard, Brian Boulmay

Proxies:

Donna Neumann for Mike Levitzky, Zee Ali for Jay Mussell, Peter Winsauer for Robin McGoey

* Minutes for the February meeting approved- no objections
* Curriculum Update (Robin English)
  + 85% of year 1 scheduled
  + Still waiting to meet with Genetics Dept Head Monday March 23 to get the details for that course hammered out
  + Immunology and HBD are ok with time slots (fighting on the 8 am slot though)
  + Hoping to get the whole curriculum change approved at the April General Faculty meeting
  + An update on curriculum will be given at the March 16 general faculty meeting
  + A lot of headway made on year 2-most of the neuropsych block is done
  + Need to start on foundations block for year 2
  + Block directors should be identified soon
  + NBME Aggie Butler coming to discuss customized NBME exams March 19 and March 20

Peter Winsauer expressed concern that the voting would be done at the General Faculty meeting and that this would not be an accurate representation: Solution was to present at the GFM in April then have all faculty vote via survey monkey

* By-Law amendment vote
  + 12 basic science reps (numbers remain the same)
  + Increase the number of clinical reps to 24
  + Some confusion noted regarding keeping the number of BS reps the same
  + Vote was unanimous to amend the bylaws
  + Increase the clinical faculty by 3 members for the next two years
* Admin Council
  + Dean Nelson not present
  + Curriculum changes updates (see above)
  + Big news was delay of the UMC opening until August 2015 but no details or specifics reasons were discussed by Dr. Leatourneau.
* Faculty Senate Report
  + 4% raises to all went through
  + LSUHSC now has its own lobbyist). She is maintaining the Tiger Caucus website and interacting with politicians on our behalf.
* Faculty Assembly Awards
  + Request for nominations and volunteers for the committee were made by Judy Crabtree.

Next Meeting: April 2 (Guest: Dr. Kathy Lazarus)