

School of Medicine Faculty Assembly
Minutes
November 5th, 2020

Attendance:

Alahari, Suresh; Ali, Zee; Augustus-Wallace, Allison; Cameron, Jennifer; Crabtree, Judy; Creel, Amy; Felipe, Dania; Gardner, Jason; Gupta, Raegan; Guidry, Jessie; Happel, Kyle; Hart, Jennifer; Houser, Marcella; James, Ernest; Kamboj, Sanjay; LeBlanc, Colleen; Levitzky, Michael; Olister, Staci; Prasad, Pinki; Primeaux, Stefany; Reilly, Leslie; Sarkar, Shubho; Surcouf, Jeffrey; Tanner, LaNasha; Taylor, Christopher; Wisner, Elizabeth; Wu, Chunlai; Yue, Xinping; Zambrano, Regina

Proxy: Giddy, Jeff (Guidry), Nair, Navya (Prasad)

Absent: Gomez, Ricardo; Holman, Stacy; Hunt, John; LeBlanc, Dana; Stuke, Lance

Called to order: 4:01PM

1. Approval of the October meeting minutes (motion Kamboj, second Alahari)
2. Guest: Lauren Garnier, Office of Campus Assistance Program, 504-568-8888, cap@lsuhsc.edu, Human Development Center Suite 233.
 - a. Stress Management and Self Care Presentation – see slide deck for details of services provided for students, staff, and relatives
3. Reports:
 - a. Executive Committee – no meeting
 - b. SOM Administrative Council – no meeting
 - c. Faculty Senate
4. Old Business:
 - a. Bylaws Committee Update – no meeting
 - b. Historically-excluded Faculty and DEI Taskforce - Allison Augustus-Wallace updated progress of the first meeting, which was a collection of information from both a clinical and basic-science perspective as it relates to recruitment, talent evaluation, and retention. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 9th, 2020.
5. Call for New Business:
 - a. University Response to Hurricane Zeta
-Jennifer Cameron has fielded several complaints from both faculty and staff regarding the University's response to Hurricane Zeta. The very short window between the University's closure and the actual landfall of the storm was among the chief complaints. She pointed out that the time window was in violation of CM-51 which gives a much larger time window for ensuring preparedness. In addition, both students and faculty were asked to continue work and study activities after the scheduled closure. Communication will be made to the Administration to ensure that CM-51 is followed in the future.
 - b. Employee Access to 1st floor entrances of CSRB/Allied Health (Taylor/Cameron)
-Chris Taylor raised the issue that University Faculty are not allowed access to the front entrance of some buildings on campus, but specifically CSRB. While some Facilities and

construction personnel are allowed entry via proximity card access, the University has chosen to restrict access to building occupants which include faculty and research staff. The issue will be brought to Administration to resolve the problem.

6. Adjourn (motion Kamboj, second Alahari) 5:14PM