**LSUH-NO-SOM Faculty Assembly**

**Meeting Minutes**

May 5, 2016

**Opening:** P. Winsauer called the regular meeting of the LSUH-NO-SOM Faculty Assembly to order at 4:03 PM in Room 7 on the 6th floor of the Lions Building.

**Present:** Ali, M; Boulmay, B; Crabtree, J; Greiffenstein, P; Happel, K; Harrison-Bernard, L; Hebert, C; Hetzler, L (BR); Holman, S, Hunt, J; Kamboj, S; Kapusta, D; Lazartigues, E; Lee, O; Lentz, J; Levitzky, M; McGoey, R; Mussell, J; Spieler, B, Taylor, C; Winsauer, P

**Absent:** De Silva, T; Engel, L; Guillory, S; Oge, L; Florencia, P; Welsh, D

**Proxies:** Lee, O for Sherman, W; Levitzky, M for Delacroix, S; Mussell, J for Campeau, L, Murtuza, A for Neumann, D

1. **Approval of the minutes from April meeting:** Sanjay Kamboj moved to approve the minutes for April and was seconded by Michael Levitzky. Motion was approved unanimously.
2. **Reports**:
* **FA Executive Committee (Winsauer)**
	+ No meeting, rescheduled for Monday 5/9
* **SOM Administrative Council (Crabtree)**
	+ Faculty Searches was discussed (Letourneau)
		- Ob/Gyn & Derm in progress, hope to complete in the next couple of months. Peacock is lead candidate for Ob/Gyn.
		- Several applied for Letourneau’s position, committee selected, chaired by Maupin.
* Budget (Letourneau)
	+ Nothing set in stone yet, expect a special session for legislature in June, likely won’t have firm budget numbers until early-mid July.
* CEO of UMC (Letourneau)
	+ Mr. William Masterson formerly announced.
	+ From Piedmont Medical Center, part of the Tenet Healthcare Corporation.
	+ MBA University of South Florida in Tampa.
	+ Start date beginning of June.
* UMC
	+ Erich Conrad named Service Line Director for Behavioral Health.
	+ Next line under consideration is expected to be Oncology.
* Faculty Forward (Letourneau)
	+ Reiterate the plan for communicating results.
	+ All departmental reports are with Departmental Heads.
* Faculty Advancement (Letourneau)
	+ Advancement packets due in Dr. Letourneau’s office on Sept. 16th.
* Dean’s office is making merit raises a priority.
	+ Based on the FF results indicating that our faculty are concerned about their compensation, the Dean’s office is launching a project to collect data to support their advocacy efforts with Dr. Hollier.
	+ They will try, but keep in mind there is no guarantee of success.
* **Faculty Senate (Levitzky/Winsauer)**
	+ Update on shuttle app, moving forward, use an existing free GPS app (Nicoles Limosine), working on user/pw to show only those 3 shuttles. Nelson stated he will pick up fee ($100/mo).
	+ Ad hoc committee about morale, chancellor asked for ideas to increase faculty morale.
	+ J Pegues contract will not be renewed, status of long-term innovator positions unsure.
		- Combining vice-chancellor of finance and administration positions.
		- CAP is overwhelmed (Moereschbaecher); increases with both faculty and staff (both self-referral and outside referral).
1. **Old Business**
* Faculty Assembly Awards
	+ Solicitation to nominate delegates should be coming out soon.
	+ Encourage faculty to nominate.
* Dean’s reception for those that received awards was discussed.
	+ Great opportunity to highlight all awards- student, teaching, promotions, etc.
	+ Timing recommended to be after graduation.
	+ Good for morale.
* Faculty Forward Results
* Some departments have had a presentation of data.
* Information is being disseminated by several different sources.
* Assembly’s role to disseminate finished? (Murtuza, A); P Winsauer suggested that FA will have a role on action items.
* New curriculum updates
* Planning moving forward.
* All faculty involved are overwhelmed, unsure about implementation.
* Faculty Assembly Charity Fundraising Committee
* Can we involve the Faculty Assembly?
* Extend an invitation to the new governor
* W Sherman should facility connecting Dean and Bel Edwards for an invitation and scheduling visit.
1. **New Business**
* Renovations
	+ MEB A and B needs to update AV equipment, ask Dean.
	+ Main lobby of MEB will not be renovated because it’s a Fema project.
	+ Animal facility renovations to begin in fall of 2016.
		- Looking at LCRC and Xavier spaces for interim solutions.
* Faculty are unsure how capital investments are decided and/or prioritized.
* Each dean has a list, chancellor’s prerogative?
* Dr. Maupin may join for June meeting to discuss diversity initiatives.
* Moerschbaecher informed us of an update to the LSUHSC website.
	+ Updates include profiling the impact and reach of LSUHSC; highlight faculty success stories.
* Communications committee submitted a proposal to the Dean’s office to add a position to improve communications (restart the newsletter). Request dropped, citing low priority due to budget cuts.
* Moereschbaeker was asked about outside tables, said he’s pushing for it.
1. **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Jennifer Lentz