**LSUHSC-SOM Faculty Assembly**

**Meeting Minutes**

May 1, 2014

**Opening:** The regular meeting of the LSUHSC-SOM Faculty Assembly was called to order at 4:03PM in Room 7 of the Lions Building by Dr. Michael Levitzky

**Present:** Ali, M; Boulmay, B; Campeau, L; Cestia, W; Crabtree, J; Delacroix, S; Foster, T; Happel, K; Harrison-Bernard, L; Hebert, C; Kamboj, S; Levitzky, M; McGoey, R; Quayle, A; Thien, D; Welsh, D; Winsauer, P

**Absent:** Avegno, J; Conrad, E; English, R; Hunt, J; Jagneaux, T; Kapusta, D; Lazartigues, E; Spieler, B

**Proxies:** Crabtree for Hollenbach; McGoey for Mussell; Winsauer for Neumann

1. **Approval of the minutes from April meeting:** Dr. McGoey moved to approve minutes for April and was seconded by Dr. Campeau. Motion was approved unanimously
2. **Reports:**
   * **Executive Council – met with Dean Nelson 4/24/14 [notes submitted by Dr. Mussell]**
     + New hospital
       1. Construction remains ahead of schedule
       2. Expected to be completed at the end of 2014 and be occupied by the 1st quarter of 2015
       3. Dean Nelson met with LCMC president and chief operating officer Greg Feirn to discuss what service LSU can provide
       4. Discussed what LSU services could be added in order to develop 5 destination programs to present to our new partners
       5. This represents an attempt by the dean to be proactive with Childrens’
       6. Dean Nelson believes the Children’s Hospital now realizes that LSU is their best partner
       7. Mayor Landrieu has turned down the proposal for the pedestrian bridge over Tulane avenue to the new Hospital- problem was with the proposed design aesthetics
     + Revenue
       1. Dean Nelson doesn’t expect further budget cuts and mentioned LSUSOM will be allowed to keep the increase in tuition dollars
       2. Dean Nelson believes LSUSOM will be eligible $4-8 million of Governor Jindal’s [$40 million allocation](http://www.nola.com/politics/index.ssf/2014/01/jindal_announces_40_million_fo.html) for Workforce and Innovation for a Stronger Economy (WISE) fund.
       3. Previously the hospital effectively subsidized services as the governor cut the budget while no positions were eliminated
       4. The physicians were not penalized by the cuts as they continued to perform their duties
       5. This model won’t be sustained under the partnership with Children’s Hospital
          1. To this point Children’s has agreed to pay for the gap in allocation
          2. The effect has been an increase in the revenue of contracts for LSUSOM
     + LSU Day at Louisiana legislature
       1. Passed resolution on the floor commending Dean Nelson’s research success and record of accomplishment
     + Dean Nelson discussed the proposition of the AAMC facilitating a visit from members of the LA legislature to mimic the medical school experience over 2 days
       1. Put forth by Dr. McGoey in response to presentation at CFAS
       2. The Dean is worried that the members of the legislature that would participate don’t need the experience
     + Facility updates
       1. New cardiac catheterization lab is complete
       2. Renovations of buildings is prohibitively expensive to remodel for research labs
       3. $40 million for MEB
       4. $35 million for 1542
       5. Easier to build new research building and convert other space to offices, etc.
       6. Students need more study space- may develop a part of Stanislaus Hall
       7. Crosswalk needs new stop sign
     + Searches
       1. Orthopedics – finished video interviews
       2. Hematology/ Oncology – main candidate has already had on site visit- likely to be offered second visit
       3. Pulmonary – Carol Mason has been appointed Section Chief
       4. Genetics – phone interviews done – committee will put 3 candidates forth
     + General Faculty Meetings- May 6th
       1. Cindy Nuesslein (CEO of ILH) will be speaking on the new hospital
       2. Faculty Assembly Awards will be presented
       3. Future meetings will include a single question submitted by the Faculty Assembly for discussion
     + New Business
       1. Dean Nelson asked if Faculty Assembly could oversee a peer to peer examination of all lectures as a means of showing the faculty how important the teaching mission is. [After a brief discussion, the delegates present suggested that the Executive council discuss this with the Dean to get a better idea of what he has in mind. See New Business below.]
   * **Administrative Council- no report, scheduled for next week**
   * **Faculty Senate Report**
     + Professor Kevin Cope (LSU-BR) spoke on campus regarding changes to employer contribution to ORP
     + Recycling efforts moving forward, due in large part to Dr. Mussell. Will consist of volunteer effort that includes students and a company that is willing to donate a receptacle for a 3month trial basis.
   * **The Pulse – no report**
3. **Old Business:**
   * Curriculum Renewal – no report
   * Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) – no report
   * Faculty Assembly Awards – to be awarded at the General Faculty meeting 5/6/14
     + Winners were awarded in all categories
       1. Some nominees from the Junior Faculty committee were moved to Service to the Community
     + Overall we had a good number of nominations and Dean Nelson is aware of the winners
   * FA Email capability
     + Executive committee to raise item of concern to Dean Nelson about the President and Secretary of FA’s inability to email the full time faculty
4. **New Business/Announcements:**
   * Dean Nelson’s proposition above regarding peer oversight and feedback for teaching being an initiative that falls under FA was discussed.
     + Collective interest but many questions remain
     + Delegates ask for Exec Committee to gather more detail and return with information prior to next step
   * Lafayette- Dr. Cestia
     + Campus working to implement CERNER EMR system
   * Elections
     + For new slate of delegates are forthcoming
     + For new officers – election to be held at Aug. meeting [customarily no FA meetings in July]
5. **Adjournment:** Dr. Levitzky moved to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Dr. Foster. Motion was approved unanimously and meeting was adjourned at 4:50

Minutes submitted by: Robin McGoey, MD