



School of Medicine

School of Medicine Faculty Assembly

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 9, 2025

4:00pm-5:00pm

Zoom Meeting

In Attendance: S. Alahari, G. Athas, A. Augustus-Wallace, A. Bennett, J. Calandria, J. Cameron, T. Castellano, M. Cook, J. D'Souza, J. Gardner, J. Hart, S. Holman, S. Kamboj, C. LeBlanc, N. Loganantharaj, L. Marrero, B. McGee (proxy for M. Clement), L. Pelaez (proxy for V. Vaitaitis), S. Primeaux, M. Reinoso, J. Schoen, R. Siggins, L. Simon-Peter, C. Taylor, E. Wisner, R. Zambrano (proxy for P. Prasad)

Absent: A. Abreo, J. Berthelot, M. Harrington, R. Kline, M. Korah-Sedgwick, E. McDonough, T. Reske, A. Smith, L. Tanner-Sanders

Welcome and call to order at 4:01pm by President Gardner

Approval of the December meeting minutes. Motion to approve by Dr. Kamboj, Second by Dr. Augustus-Wallace, none opposed. (Meeting minutes are posted on SOM Faculty Assembly Webpage. https://www.medschool.lsuhschool.edu/faculty_assembly/docs/FA%20Minutes%2011-7-24%20approved.pdf)

Reports:

- 1. Executive Committee (Gardner):** Met with Dean DiCarlo on 1/8/2025. *Superbowl:* Discussed the impact of the Superbowl on parking on campus. Dr. DiCarlo ensured that the parking was sufficient for students and involved parking in the Gravier Garage and Perdido Lots 5&6 and after 3:30pm all levels of Roman St. Garage would be open to students (and on weekends). LSUHSC-NO is allowing the Superbowl activities to take place on campus as a service to the City of New Orleans. There is plan for increased security for the parking lots and Gravier garage. *Construction:* Construction in MEB is on schedule and currently working on installing large windows on the exterior of the building (where the balconies were located). The walkway from CSRB to CALS will begin after the Superbowl. There will be a stairwell built from the street to the walkway between CALS and Seton Hall to allow access without going into Seton Hall. Need to get new construction bids for walkway across Tulane Ave. *Faculty:* Cancer Leadership has changed, Dr. Lucio Meile is new Director of LSU-LCME Health Cancer Center. https://www.lsuhschool.edu/news/lucio_miele_director_cancer_center.aspx The Department of Genetics Department Chair and Senior Associate Dean of Research positions will need to be filled. Dr. DiCarlo is in discussion on how to move forward with the move back to the MEB.
- 2. Administrative Council (Augustus-Wallace):** No meeting
- 3. Faculty Senate (Cameron):** Meeting was devoted to discussion of changes to the

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Old Business

- a. Moving away from hybrid meetings (Think about potential best date to have in-person meetings)
- b. Updates on Superbowl parking (Chancellor Nelson sent email about parking)
- c. SOM committees service by FA delegates (Need to schedule meeting with Dr. Taylor)
- d. FA highlights distribution (no updates)

Call for New Business

- a. Updating Bylaws per Dr. Taylor (contacted by Dr. Taylor to update bylaws on webpage, will update and post)
- b. Potential guests to FA meetings (Taylor, Southerland), library, etc.
- c. FA Awards (for 2024, email sent out on 2/2 to faculty, nominations due 2/26); Liz Simon-Peter to chair the Awards this year
- d. FA elections (for 2024, email sent out on 4/29, nominations due 5/15)

Adjourn—Motion by Dr. Jennifer Cameron, 4:26pm.