FACULTY SENATE MINUTES - UNAPPROVED  
Tuesday, September 8, 2009

The meeting was called to order by the President at 7:50 AM in Gazes Auditorium.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER:

**College of Medicine, Basic Sciences:**
- **Present:** Samar Hammad, Christopher Davies, Prakasam Annamalai, Carola Neumann
- **Excused:** Joan Cunningham, Michael Wargovich, Arno Wessels
- **Absent:** Eleanor Spicer, Marvella Ford

**College of Medicine, Clinical Sciences:**
- **Present:** Susan Ackerman, Ira Willner, John Freedy, Nicholas Koch, Shakaib Rehman, Therese Killeen, Walter Limehouse, Bill Conway, Daniel Steinberg,
- **Excused:** Jimmy Alele (alt)
- **Absent:** Aljoeson Walker, Arabinda Das, Ashli Sheidow, David Koch, Deborah Bowlby, Dee Ford, Dieter Haemmerich, Fletcher Penney, James Madory, John Osguthorpe, M. Rita Young, Marcelo Vela Aquino, Nikolaos Papamitsakis, Sarah Book, Valerian Fernandes, Aquilla Turk, Jacobo Mintzer (alt), Karen Hartwell (alt), Lancer Scott, Mehmet Bilgen (alt), Raymond Turner, Shaun Nguyen, Simon Watson

**College of Dental Medicine:**
- **Present:** Joseph Thompson, Renata Leite

**College of Health Professions:**
- **Present:** Hazel Brelan
- **Excused:** Paul Jacques
- **Absent:** Michael VanLue (Alt), Anthony Chipas (Alt), Kevin Harmon, Charles Ellis, David Morrisette, Andrea White

**Library Science and Informatics:**
- **Present:** Geoff Freeman, Brooke Fox (Alt), Mary Mauldin,
- **Excused:**
- **Absent:** Randall Watts, Tom Smith, Candace Moorer (Alt)
College of Nursing:

Present:  Sharon Bond, AnneMarie Donato, Ruth Stockdell, Carol McDougall,
Excused:  Martina Mueller (Alt)
Absent:  Charlene Pope (Alt)

College of Pharmacy:

Present:  Roger White,
Excused:  Sarah Shrader
Absent:  Amy Thompson, Edward Soltis, Larry Buie (Alt), Shannon Drayton (Alt).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No quorum.  August Minutes will be emailed to Senate for approval.

MEETING PROCEEDINGS

I. Business:

Faculty Senate Annual Report: W. Limehouse

The Senate officers were Walter Limehouse (President), Mary Mauldin (Vice-President), and Sharon Bond (Secretary). The Faculty & Institutional Relationships Committee has been working on the Faculty Tenure Policy since February/March. The 2009-2010 FAC Contracts were released in June. Drs. Raymond and Sothmann are in negotiations with G. Silvestri and M. Wargovich (re: Part A salary scale suitable for university faculty and the financial value of tenure). The Communication & Education Committee supported the COM Education Presentation and the Town Hall Meetings. They also planned workshops: Promotion & Tenure and Contracts. The Institutional Advancement was charged with the task of developing a strategic plan for the Senate (polled faculty interests). The committee also appointed Senators to various University Committees. The Governance Committee was working to resolve Grievance section 8.11. The FAC dispute resolution was passed bye the Board of Trustees Feb 2009. Also in February 2009 the Board of Trustees passed a Conflict of Interest Umbrella Policy.

Committee Updates:

Communication & Education: G. Freeman

The committee met August 28th to discuss the New Faculty Welcome. There was discussion of having a welcome along with an orientation. The welcome would be a reception with wine/cheese whereas the orientation would be a different day designed to be more informative for new faculty members. Peggy Schachte will organize the Welcome and the C & E committee will organize the orientation. The next Faculty Welcome will be in February 2010.

Governance:

They are working on ways to bring information to the Faculty Senate. Institutional Advancement is responsible for following up with all the committees to see if there needs to be
Senate representation on the committee. There will be openings for this Senate Election. Let J. Cunningham know if you are interested in running. A. Donato wanted to know what the Senate was going to do to address the issue of senate attendance. C. Davies wanted to know if there are Senate Sub-committee minutes available online (there are not). He suggested that it would be helpful to have those minutes accessible. S. Ackerman wanted to know if it would be possible to send out short blurbs to the faculty about what the Senate has accomplished and what they are working on. I. Willner inquired about FAC Tenure negotiations. W. Limehouse informed the Senate that the negotiations were going well but that is all he could share at the time. I. Willner wanted more information. He feels the negotiations should be open to the Senate. C. Neumann suggested that the Senate have a Board of Trustee involved in the negotiations since they were the final decision maker. The negotiations are set to be finished by April 2010 but Senate members feel that is too late for the 2010-2011 contracts.

II. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 AM

Next meeting: 7:45 AM, Tuesday, October 13, 2009. Room 125, Gazes Auditorium. Respectfully Submitted by:
Edie Hering