

# Minutes

THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

## FACULTY SENATE

May 9, 2017

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1. Call to order by President Cooper: 4:00 PM  
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2. President Cooper presented a list of faculty members who died this past year and asked the senators to stand in remembrance of their service to UTHSC. The names of those faculty members are listed here: William Byrne, James Creel, John Fain, Barrett Haik, Abbas Kitabchi, Lorraine Kraus, James Lee, Allen Lewis, Ivan Myers, Walter Sandusky, Suzanne Satterfield, Carl Sebelius, Lester VanMiddlesworth, James Wyatt.
3. President Cooper introduced the Vice Chancellor for Finance Tony Ferrara to discuss the budget. The budget bill has been passed by Tennessee Senate and House and is ready for governor to sign. Initial budget proposals for our campus were pretty small. It would have been difficult to meet salary increases. The UTHSC administration worked with the UT System and the TN legislature. Formula units (other UT campuses) get better budgets. The final Governors budget had 3% salary pool plus 1.5% increase in the operating budget. Memphis Research Consortium this year will get a 3 percent increase for 3 years. Other campuses across the USA are not doing as well with some receiving budget reductions. Final budget plans are being made currently. Infrastructure will get more funding this year with less emphasis on program expansion. There will be a 4.7% increase in state funding. We did not have a tuition increase last year, but this year we will have a 2% increase, which is already BOT approved. Dentistry, nursing and medicine will have increases in enrollment. We don't know what salary increases will be this year. We want to keep salaries in step with the US average. We still have debt service on buildings, so there is a debt service fund for this. Building will continue. IT infrastructure will be upgraded. Adding \$15 million for the SIM center. Return some tuition to programs that are increased in enrollment. VC Ferrara asked for questions. There were none.
4. Minutes from the April 11<sup>th</sup> Faculty Senate meeting were approved as distributed by email. Modified by voting on Zoom.
5. [During VC Ferrara's presentation, someone was talking on the phone while being connected remotely to the Faculty Senate meeting. This was very disruptive. Please mute your computer while attending meetings by Zoom.]
6. Update on revisions to the handbook. There was the insertion into the Faculty Handbook of revisions for distinguished professors and distinguished visiting professors. Required consultation with faculty was added to the changes. The dean would be required to consult with the faculty but would not necessarily be required to follow the faculty suggestions. There was no discussion. Vote: 100% Yes.
7. Faculty senate bylaws changes were suggested. The terms of senators and officers were proposed to be changed to begin on July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year and end on June 30<sup>th</sup>. There was extensive discussion of this issue. The vote in the meeting room was 65% in favor, but a change in the bylaws requires a 2/3 vote. After counting votes by email (Zoom voting was not working) the change was approved by one vote.
8. There was another vote to change wording in the bylaws to make it clear that only one department chair could be elected senator for each college. That change passed by 88%.
9. Elections will be held next month for officers.
10. New business: Website is now live. Demonstrated again by Dr. Cooper. Just as he did last month.
11. Upward evaluation is continuing and all faculty are requested to fill out the survey. Richard Smith reported that you could evaluate one or all administrators. Lost URLs will be fixed by sending email Richard Smith to fix. Each Chair will see only their evaluation. Each Dean will see their evaluation and

all their Department Chairs. The President and Chancellor will see all evaluations.  
12. The meeting adjourned at 4:44 PM.

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Respectfully submitted, George A. Cook, Secretary, UTHSC Faculty Senate

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- 6. Choby, Beth *B. Choby*
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