

Minutes

THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

FACULTY SENATE

January 11, 2011

Members present (n=37): Airee, Anita; Bee, Tiffany; Bowman, Beth; Brown, Lawrence; Callaway, Joseph; Christian, James; Cowan, Patricia; DeBon, Maggie; Elberger, Andrea; Green, Brenda; Hamilton, David; Hartig, Peg; Hicks, Wyenona; Howard-Thompson, Amanda; Joblonski, Monica; Johnson, Eldridge; Kitabchi, Abbas; Lazarus, Edward; Lewis, Maurice; Martin, Dan; McDonald, Michael; Nollan, Richard; Patterson, Anthony Lynn; Pourmotabbed, Tayabeh; Presbury, Gerald; Re, Fabio; Richey, Phyllis; Senogles, Susan; Smith, Richard; Stegman, Elaine; Stein, Sidney; Steketee, Jeff; Storm, Mike; Suttle, Parker D.; Talati, Ajay; Wetzel, Glenn; Wilson, Thad; Zafar, Nadeem

Academic Affairs Representative: Scheid, Cheryl; Russell, Cindy

Guest: Cook, George, UTFC

Members absent (n=50): Adkins, Ronald; Baselski, Vicki; Bessoff, Joel; Bromley, Howard; Buolamwini, John; Burchum, Jacqueline; Canada, Robert; Cole, F. Hammond; Collins, Leilani; Crim, Susan; Donaldson, Martin; Harris, Edward; Harrison, Janet; Hasty, Karen; Headley, Stacey; Hoehn, Mary Ellen; Hoover, Robert; Jennings, Lisa; Jones, Terreia; Jordan, Irma; Kelly, Brian P.; Khurana, Seema; Koshy, Santhosh; Levin, Michael; Maish, George; Matthew, Alexander; McKeon, Leslie; Naida, Abubakar; Nolen, Ann; Nolly, Rob; Norris, Tommie; Olson, Karen; Parfenova, Elena; Rawal, Yeshwant; Reddy, Avi; Schoumacher, Robert; Sebelik, Merry; Sharp, Marcia; Swanson, Joe; Thomas, Edwin; Timmons, Shelly; Von Hapsburg, Deborah; Wang, Junling; Webb, Sherry; Wicks, Tony; Williams, J. Scott; Woodworth, Bruce; Yataco, Jose; Zucker-Levin, Audrey

Call to order: 4:02pm

Approval of Minutes – Minutes from 12/14/2010 Approved

Announcements

President DiPietro town hall meeting is currently set for Tuesday, April 12, 2011, at 3:00 pm.

Reports of Committees

Legislative Resources – Martin Donaldson – The committee is in the process of setting up the legislative forum, probably in the SAC. More details to come.

Clinical Affairs – Tiffany Bee – Polly Hofmann will talk to the Clinical Affairs committee on Jan. 26th concerning the strategic research plan. They will discuss research opportunities for clinical faculty.

Budget & Benefits – Thad Wilson – The B&B committee continues to ask Tony Ferraro about the budgeting of state dollars. There are opportunities for Existing raises, but individual faculty members must go to their department Chairman. The policy on Promotional raises is going to the University Faculty Council (very positive) and Richard Nollan is championing it to the Deans.

On the Benefits side, Jerry Hall is coming to the B&B meetings. Health screening and questionnaires for health partners will be in the SAC Feb 10-11th. The committee discussed having emails sent to people approaching retirement (within 5 years) concerning TCRS with Jerry Hall. The B&B committee would like to have another open opportunity for Faculty to join TCRS.

Faculty Affairs -- Beth Bowman – Upward evaluation is done, but participation was low. There are reports that Faculty are concerned about remaining anonymous.

Research Affairs – Frusz Pourmotabbed- The RA committee is looking at the bridge funding policy to determine if any changes are necessary. They would also like to prepare and provide a list of research shortcomings on campus. The committee would like to know if investigators can get seed money for generating new grants. The Postdoc leave time policy was presented. The senate decided to vote on this at next month's meeting.

Faculty Computing – Phyllis Richey – The committee will meet tomorrow. Waiting on the report from WPC. Currently the report is in Ken Brown's office.

Old Business

Faculty Evaluation Manual Update - Has been reviewed by the Faculty Affairs workgroup and is now back to the Faculty Senate handbook committee.

Promotion Compensation Policy Proposal is moving forward.

Adjourn – 4:38pm