

Minutes

THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

FACULTY SENATE

September 14, 2010

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Members present (n=46): Baselski, Vicki; Bessoff, Joel; Bowman, Beth; Buolamwini, John; Callaway, Joseph; Canada, Robert; Christian, James; Collins, Leilani; Cowan, Patricia; Elberger, Andrea; Green, Brenda; Hamilton, David; Harris, Edward; Hicks, Wyenona; Hoover, Robert; Howard-Thompson, Amanda; Jennings, Lisa; Joblonski, Monica; Johnson, Eldridge; Jordan, Irma; Kelly, Brian; Kitabchi, Abbas; Levin, Michael; Martin, Dan; McDonald, Michael; Nollan, Richard; Norris, Tommie; Olson, Karen; Pourmotabbed, Tayabeh; Reddy, Avi; Richey, Phyllis; Schoumacher, Robert; Senogles, Susan; Sharp, Marcia; Smith, Richard; Stegman, Elaine; Stekelee, Jeff; Storm, Mike; Suttle, Parker; Swanson, Joe; Talati, Ajay; Wetzel, Glenn; Wicks, Tony; Williams, J. Scott; Wilson, Thad; Zucker-Levin, Audrey

Academic Affairs Representative: Scheid, Cheryl; Russell, Cindy

Members absent (n=39): Adkins, Ronald; Airee, Anita; Bee, Tiffany; Bromley, Howard; Brown, Lawrence; Burchum, Jacqueline; Cole, F. Hammond; DeBon, Maggie; Donaldson, Martin; Harrison, Janet; Hartig, Peg; Hasty, Karen; Headley, Stacey; Hoehn, Mary Ellen; Jones, Terreia; Khurana, Seema; Koshy, Santhosh; Lazarus, Edward; Lewis, Maurice; Maish, George; Matthew, Alexander; McKeon, Leslie; Naida, Abubakar; Nolen, Ann; Nolly, Rob; Parfenova, Elena; Patterson, Anthony Lynn; Presbury, Gerald; Rawal, Yeshwant; Re, Fabio; Sebelik, Merry; Stein, Sidney; Thomas, Edwin; Timmons, Shelly; Von Hapsburg, Debra; Wang, Junling; Webb, Sherry; Woodworth, Bruce; Yataco, Jose; Zafar, Nadeem

Call to order 4:05PM

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of May 11 and June 8, 2010 were approved.

Announcements

- The UT President Search Committee is moving forward and hopes to have a candidate selected by the end of October.
- A search committee has been formed to conduct a national search for a new VC for Research. Fruz Pourmotabbed (Chair of the Faculty Senate Research Committee) will serve on the committee.
- The search committee for the new COM Executive Dean/Memphis Campus Dean has been recently formed and is soliciting candidates.

Reports of Committees

- Legislative Resources- Plan to invite the recently elected officials to come to campus and speak on issues related to UTHSC.
There is now a full time lobbyist for UTHSC, **Brandy Bivens**.
- Faculty Computing – IT assessment is ongoing, and the committee is working with the IT consultants on campus.
- Budget & Benefits – Edited goals. Tony Ferrara is now ex officio; The committee is waiting for feedback on salary compression and promotional raise policy from the Deans and Chairmen. SAC fitness memberships are now free to faculty and staff.
- Education Policy – The committee has discussed revision of recording policy. Student's should by default have permission to record lectures unless otherwise told by the instructors. The policy will go to the FSEC.
- Faculty Affairs – The committee has seen the upward evaluation survey and tried it out. The committee has made comments and it will now go to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee.
- Research Affairs – F&A spending was discussed by the committee and the Chancellor was invited to the next meeting. Problems with material transfer agreements (MTA) still an issue. Senators are urged to go back to department and gather specific information on problems encountered in obtaining an MTA. Online routing sheet for grants is coming!!
- Clinical Affairs – Went over 2010-2011 goals. Discussed new medical school curriculum in relation to UT pay and physician's RVU's.

New Business

Committee Goals:

The goals for the Budget & Benefits Committee were approved with minor changes. The goals for the Clinical Affairs were approved with minor changes. The goals for the Education Policy Committee were approved with minor changes. The Faculty Affairs Committee goals were approved without change. The Faculty Research Committee goals were referred back to committee for revision. The Faculty Computing Committee goals were also referred back to committee for revision. The Legislative Resource Committee goals were approved with minor revisions.

TUFS Motions:

5. TUFS response to time-sensitive issues:

In matters that are time-sensitive, after consulting with the Executive Committee of TUFS and the faculty senate presidents of all of TUFS member institutions, the president of TUFS is authorized to communicate to the public the consensus of those consulted." **Approved (one opposed)**

1. Statement about proposed bonus pay:

"TUFS support the legislative plan that the one-time bonus be based on longevity." **Approved**

4. Talking points for presentation to Senate Education Committee: "

Each senate should propose to the TUFS Executive Committee discussion points, concerns, and strategies for the anticipated presentation to the Tennessee Senate Education Committee." **Approved**

2. Request to investigate selection of TBR chancellor:

"TUFS should contact the national office of the AAUP regarding the procedures used in the selection of the TBR chancellor and for possible investigation and evaluation." **Approved**

3. TUFS to consolidate views on THEC "Public Agenda"

"As the THEC Public Agenda plan is being implemented, member senates should utilize TUFS for consolidating the response from those member senates so that a consolidated voice can be given to legislators." **Rejected**

Old Business

Current Faculty Evaluation Manual update can be found at:

https://academic.uthsc.edu/f_resource.php

Adjourn 5:20PM