

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

UTHSC Faculty Senate Meeting

Hybrid Monthly Meeting (in-person and by zoom)
September 13, 2022

Attendance: (senators, administrators, and faculty)

Attending: Jillian McCarthy, Tayebah Pourmotabbed, Paul J Koltnow, Karen Derefinko, Terrance G Cooper, Phyllis Richey, Ted Cory, Shaun Rowe, Jess Newman McDonald, Sarah J Rhoads, Karen Johnson, Yi Lu, John O Schorge, Zheng Fan, Chris Wood, Erinn Finke, Vickie S Baselski, Chris Fuchs, Robert Wilson, Jennifer Henderson, Steven M Doettl, Laura T Reed, Maggie Wheeler, Tracy McClinton, Alexandria Q Wilson, Pralhad Sharma, Cory Wilbanks, David Ashbrook, Wen Lin Sun, Catherine Sanders, Kimberly Kennel, Hassan Almoazen, Lin Wu, Kevin William Freeman, Jason A Yaun, Brett Wilson, Laura Enomoto, Stephen Pishko, David Ashbrook, Molly Erickson, Mark Lackey, Colette Whitley Stewart, Kristen Bettin, Ashanti Braxton, Vinay Jain, Sanjay Mohan, Sarah Newell, Fatima Ahmed, Lisa Beasley, Frank Park, Dennis Leo, Rebecca B Reynolds, April Hilsdon, Ron Cowan, Jaqueline D Venturin, Ioannis Dragatsis, Michelle Y Martin, Tauheed Ishrat, Ricketta Clark, Edwards A Park, Vrushali Abhyankar, Jeffry Bieber, Matthew Davis Twisha Oza, Ramesh Krishnan, Rong Zeng, Yanhui Zhang, Heather Moss, Jeff Staack, Tim Williams, Alicia M Diaz Thomas, Matthew Davis, Keesha Roach, Ramesh Krishnan, Myra M Meekins, Andrea Edwards, Hilary Jasmin, Kimberly Carter, Fridtjof Thomas, Brad Terhune, Chris Ledbetter, Shelly White-Means, Martin Donaldson, Cynthia Russell, Kristi Forman, Peter Buckley.

Meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm CST/4:30 pm EST

Address from Chancellor Peter Buckley:

- The Chancellor expressed gratitude for those who attended the Strategic Planning meeting, which was held immediately prior to the senate meeting
- Accreditation
 - SACs “clean bill of health”
 - ACGME review: Awaiting the outcome of the recent review and hope to have information in the next few months.
 - LCME medical school accreditors recently visited and provided the university with guidance and consultation related to the recent recommendations. Scheduled to come next week: Coming to give us guidance/consultation
- Divisiveness bill, Rowe vs. Wade, place of public university in light of legislative decisions in TN
 - Charlie Snyder and Cindy Russell having focus groups with students regarding these changes/issues

Faculty Senate Meeting

Presiding: Dr. Jillian McCarthy, President

Introduction of Officers and Faculty Senate Executive Committee:

- Dr. Jillian McCarthy, President (COHP)
- Dr. Tayebah Pourmotabbed, Past President (COM)
- Mr. Paul J Koltnow, President Elect (COM)
- Dr. Karen Derefinko, Secretary (COM)
- Representatives:
 - Dentistry: Dr. Wanda Claro-Woodruff
 - Graduate Health Sciences: Dr. Shelley White-Means
 - Health Professions: Dr. Rebecca Reynolds
 - Medicine-Clinical: Dr. Thad Wilson and Dr. Phyllis Richey
 - Nursing: Dr. Tracy McClinton
 - Pharmacy: Dr. Shaun Rowe

- Library: Dr. Hilary Jasmin
- University Faculty Council: Dr. Martin Donaldson

Approval of June 14, 2022 minutes:

- The floor was opened for discussion of the June 14, 2022, meeting minutes. No edits were recommended. There was a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion was seconded.
 - 46 senators responded to the anonymous poll
 - Vote was in favor of accepting minutes as written (100% Yes, 0% No, 0% Abstain)

Senate Award Presentations In Person:

- Exceptional Meritorious Award was presented to the COVID-19 Observational Registry (accepted by Dr. Fridtjof Thomas) and the Information Technology Help Desk (accepted by Mr. Brad Terhune)
- The Certification of Appreciation was presented to Dan C. Harder (not present), CIO, and the Health Sciences Library (accepted by Dr. Hilary Jasmin)
- The Administrator of the Year Award to Dr. Kristi Forman, Director of Faculty Affairs
- The Senator of the Year to Dr. Shelley White-Means
- The Presidential Citation Award went to Dr. Terrance Cooper and Mr. Anthony Ferrara

Committee Goals and Responsibilities, Dr. Jillian McCarthy, Faculty Senate President:

- Dr. McCarthy reminded senators of their obligation to serve on a committee of their choosing
- Dr. McCarthy reviewed senate committees' goals and responsibilities and the senate voted via poll everywhere to keep the goals and responsibilities without further edit
- **Research**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed

- Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
- 45 senators responded to the anonymous poll
- Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (100% Yes, 0% No, 0% Abstain)
- **Budget and Benefits**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed
 - Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
 - 41 senators responded to the anonymous poll
 - Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (98% Yes, 0% No, 2% Abstain)
- **Education**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed
 - Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
 - 40 senators responded to the anonymous poll
 - Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (100% Yes, 0% No, 0% Abstain)
- **Clinical Affairs**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed
 - Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
 - 45 senators responded to the anonymous poll
 - Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (98% Yes, 0% No, 2% Abstain)
- **Faculty Affairs**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed
 - Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
 - 43 senators responded to the anonymous poll
 - Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (100% Yes, 0% No, 0% Abstain)
- **Computing, Technology, and Communications**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed

- Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
- 42 senators responded to the anonymous poll
- Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (98% Yes, 2% No, 0% Abstain)
- **Handbook**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed
 - Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
 - 43 senators responded to the anonymous poll
 - Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (100% Yes, 0% No, 0% Abstain)
- **Non-Tenure Track**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed
 - Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
 - 44 senators responded to the anonymous poll
 - Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (100% Yes, 0% No, 0% Abstain)
- **Legislative Resources**
 - Goals and responsibilities reviewed
 - Motion was made to approve goals and responsibilities as written, motion seconded
 - 44 senators responded to the anonymous poll
 - Vote was in favor of accepting goals and responsibilities as written (100% Yes, 0% No, 0% Abstain)

Welcome to new senators:

- Dr. McCarthy welcomed new senators across various colleges
- Some colleges are still completing the election process, so this list will get updated
- Dr. Cindy Russell gave a short speech on shared governance followed by a suggestion for new senators to meet at a separate time to ensure the first Faculty Senate meeting ended on time

- Dr. Jillian McCarthy and Dr. Cindy Russell agreed to zoom record the slides to send out and accept questions at the next monthly faculty senate meeting

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm CST/6:00 pm EST.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Karen Derefinko
Faculty Senate Secretary