



FACULTY SENATORS IN ATTENDANCE

Robert Danforth, D.D.S.; WLHSDM

Huanyu Dou, M.D.; GSBS

Geoffrey D. Guttman, Ph.D., Nominating Committee Chair; WLHSDM

Gloria Loera, D.N.P., R.N., NEA-BC; GGHSON

Richard W. McCallum, M.D., Faculty Senate President-Elect; PLFSOM

Praveen Parachuru, Ph.D.; WLHSDM

Jaclyn Reyes, M.S.N., R.N., CNE, CMSRN; GGHSON

Jennifer Salinas, Ph.D.; GSBS

Clarissa Silva, Ph.D., R.N., Faculty Senate President; GGHSON

Anantha Ramana Vellipuram, M.D.; PLFSOM

Mingtao Zeng, Ph.D.; GSBS

FACULTY SENATORS ABSENT

Karinn M. Chambers, M.D.; PLFSOM

GUESTS

KoKo Aung, M.D., M.P.H., Vice President for Faculty Success, TTUHSC El Paso

Cindy Camarillo, Sr. Director, Office of Faculty Affairs

Desirae Favela, Associate Director, Faculty Recruitment, Office of Faculty Affairs

Edgar A. Corral, Unit Manager, Faculty Recruitment, Office of Faculty Affairs

I. CALL TO ORDER

Clarissa Silva, Ph.D., R.N., Faculty Senate President

Dr. Silva, Faculty Senate President, joined the meeting via telephone and had made arrangements to have Dr. McCallum lead the meeting. Dr. McCallum joined the meeting late. Dr. Guttman assisted Dr. Silva by reading the PowerPoint Slides. Dr. Silva, called the meeting to order at 4:07 P.M. and welcomed all participants via Webex, noting that a quorum was present.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Clarissa Silva, Ph.D., R.N., Faculty Senate President

Dr. Silva asked the committee to review the previous meeting minutes for October 29th, 2021. Minutes were unanimously approved by the Faculty Senate.

III. OLD BUSINESS

Clarissa Silva, Ph.D., R.N., Faculty Senate President

- a. **2022 Piper Professor TTUHSC El Paso Nominee- Dr. Debabrata Mukherjee-** Dr. Guttman announced that Dr. Debabrata Mukherjee is TTUHSC El Paso 2022 Piper Professor nominee.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Richard W. McCallum, M.D., Faculty Senate President-Elect; PLFSOM

- a. **Presentation of Nominees for Standing Committees-** Dr. Guttman presented eleven (11) Standing Committee Member nominees and the schools each nominee represents. It was also noted that due to the limited amount of faculty members from the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences (GSBS), representatives from GSBS are still needed for the Diversity and Inclusion Committee, as well as the University Affairs Committee.

Dr. Guttman suggested that for all future request for nominations, each nominee needs to submit one introduction paragraph stating who they are, followed by a paragraph stating their ideas and goals for the committee they are interested in joining.

- b. **Approval of new Standing Committee Members-** Dr. Silva instructed Dr. Guttman to initiate a motion to approve all eleven (11) Standing Committee Members. All nominees were unanimously approved by the Faculty Senate members.

○ **Diversity and Inclusion Committee**

○ **Research Affairs Committee**

- Dr. Manuel Santa Cruz From GGHSO
- Dr. Christopher Castaneda from PLFSOM
- Dr. Salwa Mekled from WLHSDM

- Dr. Irma Alvarado from GGHSO
- Dr. Ana Karina Mascarenhas from WLHSDM
- Dr. Ajay Singh from PLFSOM

○ **Faculty Resources Committee**

- Dr. Ramadevi Subramani from GSBS
- Dr. Cheryl Samaniego from WLHSDM

○ **University Affairs Committee**

- Dr. Wenlian Zhou from WLHSDM
- Dr. Lizette Villanueva from GGHSO
- Dr. Erica Renee Alvarez from PLFSOM

- c. **Discuss need of a Special Election by PLFSOM Faculty Council due to the Faculty Senator and Nominating Committee Vacancies left by Dr. Chambers' departure-** Dr. Silva stated she will reach out to the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine (PLFSOM) Faculty Council for them to initiate a special election to provide a senator to conclude Dr. Chamber's term and representing PLFSOM in the Faculty Senate. The Faculty Senate will then conduct a secret ballot to decide who will sit on the nominating committee after Dr. Chambers' departure, as she will leave the institution effectively December 31, 2021.
- d. **Discuss Potential Expansion of President and Officer Terms of Office-**Dr. McCallum Initiated the discussion stating that this subject was brought up by the previous Faculty Senate President, Dr. Rodriguez, and states that he will be in favor in making the President-Elect, President and Past-President a two (2) year term.

Dr. Guttman proceeded to state that he suggests a 2 year term as the number of Faculty members at this institution is small, and the Faculty Senate will soon run out of people for these officer roles. A two year Officer term will aid in fulfilling ideas and goals prior to the change in officers. He also stated that a two year term can help to fulfill goals that can positively impact the culture and community of the University.

Dr. Silva agrees with the plan for a two year Officer term, and recognized that a Bylaw amendment will need to be conducted. Discussion was tabled for another day as Dr. Vellipuram suggested that a more in-depth discussion of the idea of a two year Officer term is needed.

V. Vice President for Faculty Success Updates

KoKo Aung, M.D., M.P.H., Vice President for Faculty Success, TTUHSC El Paso

- a. **AAMC Faculty Standpoint Survey Results-** Dr. Aung reported the AAMC Standpoint results, which will also be presented during the January 2022 General Faculty Meeting. The full report concerning the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing (GGHSO) was shared with their leadership and their entire faculty body as they do not have departmental specific reports. However, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine (PLFSOM) has departmental specific data that will be shared during future meetings with each PLFSOM department.

Dr. Guttman suggested to utilize the AAMC data to propose cooperation with administration into fulfill each school's goals.

This PowerPoint presentation can be found embedded below.

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VI. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Open Discussion

- a. There will not be a Faculty Senate Meeting in December 2021. It was decided to have the next Faculty Senate Meeting on January 28th 2022.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Richard. W. McCallum, M.D., Faculty Senate President-Elect; PLFSOM

With no further business to discuss, Dr. McCallum adjourned the meeting at 5:11 P.M.

Minutes Approved:

Clarissa Silva

Clarissa Silva (Jan 28, 2022 15:25 MST)

Clarissa Silva, Ph.D., R.N.

Faculty Senate President 2022 - 2023

Date