USF FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA
March 7, 2018
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Marshall Student Center 3700

1. Call to Order, Review of Agenda

2. Approval of Minutes from February 7, 2018 Meeting (action item)

3. Reports by Officers and Council Chairs (25 minutes)
   a. Faculty Award Recommendations – Barbara Hansen (action item)
   b. Undergraduate Council Charge Revisions – Rick Will, Jill Roberts (action item)
   c. GEC Update – Kyna Betancourt
   c. Standing Council Term Limits – Rick Will

4. Old Business (30 minutes)
   a. Apportionment Update – Jim Garey
   b. Report from Ad Hoc Predatory Journal Committee – Richard Manning, Barbara Lewis, Barbara Hansen
   c. Syllabus Bank Update – Jim Garey

5. New Business (40 minutes)
   a. COPH Reorganization Proposal under Policy 10-055 – Donna Alexander
   b. Ad Hoc Committee on SACS Unification Models – Jim Garey

6. Report from Provost Ralph Wilcox (15 minutes)

7. Report from USF System Faculty Council President Jim Garey (5 minutes)

8. Other Business from the Floor (5 minutes)

9. Adjourn

Next scheduled meeting: April 4, 2018
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MINUTES
March 7, 2018

Present: Kyna Betancourt, Tim Boaz, Nancy Cunningham, Jim Garey, Barbara Hansen, Matthew Knight, Barbara Lewis, Richard Manning, Steve Permuth, Christine Probes, Jill Roberts, Alicia Rossiter, Oma Singh, Drew Smith, Phil van Beynen, Steve Walczak, Rick Will

Provost’s Office: Paul Atchley, Pritish Mukherjee, Dwayne Smith

President Jim Garey called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m. The Minutes from the meeting of February 7, 2018 were approved as presented.

REPORTS BY OFFICERS AND COUNCIL CHAIRS

a. Faculty Award Recommendations – Barbara Hansen

On behalf of the Honors and Awards Council (HAC), Chair Hansen presented its recommendations for the following awards. All recommendations came to the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) with a motion to approve.

Theodore & Venette Askounes-Ashford Distinguished Scholar Award

Professor Narasaiah Kolliputi, from the Department of Internal Medicine, Morsani College of Medicine

Discussion was held during which Chair Hansen reported that Dr. Kolliputi’s nomination was the only one received this year, in addition to the fact that there has been just one nomination for this award in the past four years. The point was made that these awards should be better advertised in the future. There being no further discussion, the motion to approve Dr. Kolliputi for the Askounes-Ashford Distinguished Scholar Award unanimously passed.

Distinguished Service Award

Four nominations were received for this award and on behalf of the HAC, Chair Hansen asked permission for the council to recommend two candidates for this year:

Professor Robin Ersing, School of Public Affairs, College of Arts and Sciences, and Professor Dennis Ledford, Pediatrics, Morsani College of Medicine

No discussion was held. The motion to approve both of these candidates for the Distinguished Service Award unanimously passed.
All approved recommendations will be presented at the full Faculty Senate meeting on March 21.

b. Undergraduate Council Charge Revisions – Rick Will, Jill Roberts

As Chair of the Committee on Committees (COC), Dr. Will presented proposed language from Dr. Jill Roberts, Chair of the Undergraduate Council, for appointing students to the council. He explained that the following proposed wording had been vetted by the COC and came to the SEC with a motion to approve.

The Undergraduate Council voted in favor of making the following change to its charge:

**Current language:** Three undergraduate students to be appointed for one-year terms; may be reappointed

**Proposed language:** Three Undergraduate students representing no less than three different colleges or units that have voting representation in the Faculty Senate; to be appointed by the Undergraduate Council chair for one-year terms; may be reappointed.

Discussion was held. It was recommended that in the first line of the proposed language the word “fewer” be substituted for “less.” Parliamentarian Smith clarified that proposed changes to charges come from the respective council to the COC for review and vetting. If approved by the COC, the proposed changes would be presented to the SEC and Faculty Senate for final consideration.

There being no further discussion, the motion to approve the proposed language, as amended, to the Undergraduate Council charge was unanimously approved. The changes will be presented to the full Senate at its March meeting.

c. General Education Council Update – Kyna Betancourt

Chair Betancourt reported that 90 percent of the courses received had been reviewed and approved. After these are done, the council will start to review the nine interdisciplinary courses. It is anticipated to have everything done by the end of the semester. A five-person team will be going to the AAC&U General Education Institute this summer to craft the assessment plan for the enhanced general education curriculum.

d. Standing Council Term Limits – Rick Will

COC Chair Will has received an inquiry about standing council term limits. Since he could not find anything in writing, he brought the issue to the SEC to hear its perspective. Upon reviewing one of the council charges, Parliamentarian Smith pointed out that this particular charge states that a member may serve two consecutive terms, after which they must retire from the council for one full year before seeking re-appointment. President Garey asked COC Chair Will to review all standing council charges to find out if they
contain this statement. President Garey would also like the SEC to address the issue of having flexibility when it comes to getting faculty to serve on councils.

OLD BUSINESS

a. **Apportionment Update** – Jim Garey

Due to the fact that there was confusion about the new voting process, President Garey would like to extend the deadline for receipt of nominations. In addition, he would like to change the Bylaws so that vacant seats are filled by department chairs as they become empty instead of waiting to fill them during the general election. Parliamentarian Smith pointed out that the SEC can extend the deadline given the fact of transitioning to a new process. It was agreed that a reminder of the new process, along with the Academic Affairs department election report form, will be sent out with the deadline extended to April 16. Eligible USF Health faculty will also be apprised of the extended deadline.

b. **Report from Ad Hoc Predatory Journal Committee** – Richard Manning, Barbara Lewis, Barbara Hansen, Steve Permuth

Chair Lewis reported that the committee has had one meeting during which they discussed the purpose of a document and what the expected results should be. The committee will create either a statement or resolution for the Faculty Senate. The document is for junior faculty and a reminder to chairs, full professors and mentors that they have a responsibility for working with faculty on determining what a predatory journal is.

c. **Syllabus Bank Update** – Jim Garey

CEPI Chair Nancy Cunningham agreed to chair the committee consisting of two students, Dean Paul Atchley and Dr. Kevin Yee.

NEW BUSINESS

a. **COPH Reorganization Proposal under Policy 10-055** – Donna Petersen

After reviewing the history of the COPH, Dean Petersen presented the proposal to restructure the USF College of Public Health. Highlights of the presentation included:
- creating a college without departments;
- logical clustering occurring; and,
- everything would be done by August in time for reaccreditation review.

Although the COPH faculty supported the concept to go in a new direction, there was no restructuring plan offered at that time.

The floor was opened for discussion. In response to the question about what the new structure would look like, Dean Petersen replied that workgroups are working on models.
Budget wise, she is not anticipating a big impact since there will be no departments and no chairs. President Garey explained that the purpose of the SEC and Faculty Senate is to determine that faculty have been sufficiently consulted on the proposed reorganization. However, currently there is no plan offered as to what would happen after the departments are dissolved. If the college decides to re-do its structure, a new proposal will need to be completed and brought back to the SEC. Therefore, it was decided that voting would be deferred until (and if) an actual proposal is put forward.

b. Ad Hoc Committee on SACS Unification Models – Jim Garey

The USF System Faculty Council (SFC) decided that all three Faculty Senates need to look at models to see how other universities (preferably AAUs) are handling faculty governance. The results of the searches will be presented at the April SFC meeting. Drs. Gregory Teague, Kyna Betancourt, and Alicia Rossiter volunteered to serve as the USFT committee.

REPORT FROM SENIOR VICE PROVOST DWAYNE SMITH

Dr. Smith’s main topic to report was the passage of CS/CS/HB 423. As of today’s meeting, SB 4 was waiting for a decision by Governor Scott. A number of amendments were added, including the creation of a USF Consolidation Planning Study and Implementation Task Force that will make a series of recommendations on how the implementation will occur. The timeline is as follows: February 15, 2019 – the task force must submit a report to the USF BOT; March 15, 2019 – the USF BOT, after reviewing the task force’s recommendations, must adopt and submit an implementation plan; and June 30, 2020 – final plan is put into place. Dr. Smith pointed out that the Faculty Senate will be a key feature in bringing reunification together.

REPORT FROM USF SYSTEM FACULTY COUNCIL PRESIDENT JIM GAREY

President Garey reported that there is no faculty representation on the implementation task force. He will ask Chair Brian Lamb to use one of the BOT’s appointments for a faculty member.

OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

In consultation with Vice President Boaz, Senator-at-Large Manning will set up a new Senator orientation.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.