

OSU-CHS FACULTY SENATE

2018-2019

June 15, 2018 Minutes

OSU-CHS Faculty Senate Members

Charles G. Sanny, Ph.D., President

Jason Beaman, D.O., President-elect

Jarrad Wagner, Ph.D., Past-President

Franklin Champlin, Ph.D., (19) OSU-CHS Representative to OSU Faculty Council

Justin Chronister, D.O., (20)

Kathleen Curtis, Ph.D., (19)

Amanda Foster, D.O., (20)

Paul Gignac, Ph.D., (20)

Aric Warren, Ed.D, (19)

Recorder: Jean Keene

Members Present: Dr. Sanny, Dr. Champlin, Dr. Curtis, Dr. Foster, Dr. Gignac, Dr. Wagner, Dr. Warren.

Members Absent: Dr. Beaman

Guests: Dr. Vivian Stevens, Dr. Randy Wymore

Administrators Present: Dr. Johnny Stephens

Call to Order: Dr. Sanny welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Since maintenance was scheduled for the Board Room, the meeting was held in E-393. Dr. Sanny welcomed the newer members, Amanda Foster and Paul Gignac. Dr. Sanny advised that the Senate represents the larger general faculty group and he noted that the governance documents of the Center for Health Sciences and the College of Medicine come through the Senate at some time in the process of approval or revisions.

Approval of Minutes:

Dr. Sanny called for approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. Dr. Wagner made a motion for approval and Dr. Champlin seconded; the minutes were approved.

Administrative Reports:

Dr. Sanny advised that Dr. Stephens was able to join the Senate meeting and provide a report from the administration.

Dr. Stephens' report included the following:

- Dr. Shrum and Mr. Polak were currently in a meeting in the new Tandy Building in conjunction with the new Center for Wellness.
- The Board or Regents meeting was scheduled for Friday of the following week. Much of the work done by the RPT committee will be handled at that meeting. Further, we are asking for a re-approval of the Mission and Vision Statement by the Board of Regents. These documents will be provided to COCA in connection with their site visit regarding the additional site in Tahlequah, OK.
- In addition, the Strategic Plan will be presented to the Regent's as an information item.
- He explained there was a call from COCA earlier in the week advising that the packet we had submitted regarding the additional site had been reviewed. A few questions had arisen regarding the lease agreement; he noted that agreement is unusual since it is with a Sovereign nation, and that represents a new experience for COCA as well as for us. He said no problems are anticipated; we just need to carefully include all necessary elements in this regard. COCA questions pertained to minor legal language, and they were able to be answered promptly by telephone.

- Regarding the Center for Wellness and Recovery, Dr. Stephens advised that a Strategic Plan had been developed for that Center by Dr. Beaman and Dr. Crock, and it was being presented to Stakeholders. The Secretary of State was attending the meeting, along with the representatives of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, the Department of Mental Health, the Health Department, and the Zarrow Foundation. Other funders were also attending. He noted there were approximately 70 persons attending. Further, since some news crews were also attending, there could a story carried on a local broadcast. In response to a question, Dr. Stephens said the Wellness and Recovery Center will include both clinical and graduate faculty research endeavors.
- Returning to a frequently occurring prior topic, he raised the subject of the federal waiver. He provided some information that the federal waiver may be concluded soon and we can move forward with the state funding process.
- The fourth year medical school class had contacted Dr. Shrum inquiring about residencies. A reply was provided to the students which included information from a letter originating from the Appropriations Chairpersons from both the House and the Senate, which stated their understanding of the need for medical education, and that it would not be going away. Dr. Stephens said he was just as confident now as he was earlier. He noted that funding will be coming that will replace the prior funds that had been withdrawn. In addition, he advised that increased graduate medical education funds were anticipated. In summary, we should be as good--or better--than we were previously.

Dr. Sanny thanked Dr. Stephens for the informative and interesting report.

Faculty Senate President:

President's Report:

Dr. Sanny advised that he reiterated his welcome to the new Senate members. He said that ordinarily the Senate Executive Committee generates a suggested list of goals for the upcoming term. However, Dr. Sanny had developed a list and he distributed it. It included that various chairpersons of committees would be invited to attend the Senate meeting to acquaint the Senators with the activities being conducted at the committee meetings. He explained that we had two such chairpersons attending the meeting that day.

Continuing with the goals, he noted that it would be a worthwhile project to undertake further refinement of the OSU-CHS faculty governance documents. He provided bullet-point goal topics:

- Review comments and suggestions from the Faculty Affairs Committee, May 2018
- Solicit comments and suggestions from OSU-CHS faculty and administrators. [He noted these could be reviewed for inclusion and subsequent forwarding to the Faculty Affairs Committee.]
- Appoint a Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee of representative OSU-CHS stakeholders to review the OSU-CHS Faculty Governance documents and to recommend revisions.
- He said other items may be identified as the year progresses.

Dr. Sanny invited the members to send any suggestions they may have for goals for potential attention during 2018-2019.

Voting Items:

- **Election of Secretary and Sergeant-of-Arms:**

Following standard procedure, the following Senators were nominated and seconded:

Secretary: Dr. Amanda Foster Moved by: Dr. Wagner, Seconded by: Dr. Curtis

Elected unanimously

Sergeant-at-Arms: Dr. Aric Warren Moved by: Wagner, Seconded by: Dr. Curtis

Elected unanimously

- **Formal Recommendation FS 18-19-001, Revised OSU-COM Policy on Accommodations for Students with Disabilities.**

Dr. Vivian Stevens provided brief background information on the committee’s work in preparing the proposed revision as well as the process the students engage in when requesting accommodations. She noted that there was a desire to align our process with what is conducted by the NBOME when accommodations are requested there. She explained the concerns, and that the committee had addressed remedying those concerns. The document had been distributed in advance so the Senators could become familiar with the content in advance of the meeting. Dr. Stevens called attention to elements of the standard and responded to questions that were raised. Following her presentation, Dr. Sanny advised the Senators that the motion had been moved by the committee, and noted that when moved by a committee, a second was not required. Therefore, Dr. Sanny advanced the motion for a vote. **Action: Revision Approved**

- **Formal Recommendation FS 18-19-002, Revised Membership for Curriculum Oversight Committee**

Dr. Wymore provided a report on discussion/actions occurring within the Curriculum Oversight Committee. He first called attention to the formal recommendation FS 18-19-002—the document was included in the agenda package. Extensive discussion ensued which focused on Element 6.1. Dr. Wymore provided an explanation of the process now in place and noted that it would need to be explained how student membership on a sub-committee could be interpreted as meeting the requirement. However, the committee believed that complying in spirit and the letter was a superior approach that would be above the need to interpret or finesse. Rather, the new proposed wording would directly address the Element 6.1 requirement. Following additional discussion, the Senators expressed a desire to move to the vote. Dr. Sanny reminded the Senators that the motion had been moved by a committee, and noted when that occurs, a second was not required. Dr. Sanny stated that if approved, the motion would require a revision of the Faculty Senate Bylaws to include additional members on the Curriculum Oversight Committee—specifically,
--A second year student to represent “preclinical years”, and
--A fourth year student to represent the clinical years.

The motion was advanced for a vote. **Action: Motion Approved**

It was commented that the committee did not address the method by which the students would be identified.

Committee Reports:

Dr. Sanny advised Senators that June is the beginning month of the new term and the committees generally do not have action reports until the September or October meeting (depending on the September meeting date), since most traditionally do not meet in July and August. He encouraged Senators to review the committee actions that will be reported as a part of September Senate meeting report. Dr. Sanny noted that our committees do an incredible amount of work in the service of their faculty colleagues

Old Business:

There was no old business to address.

New Business:

There was no new business to address.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 p.m.