OSU-CHS FACULTY SENATE
2020-2021
April 9, 2021 Minutes
(Approved with minor changes 6-11-21)

Zoom meeting: Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Invitees: Drs. Anne Weil, Jason Beaman, Lora Cotton, Kath Curtis, Gavin Gardner, Sarah Hall, Regina Lewis, Charles Sanny, and Aric Warren
Drs. Steven Stroup and Bruce Benjamin
All OSU-CHS Faculty

Recorder: Danielle Duke

Attendance:
Senate members present for all or part of the meeting: Drs. Weil, Cotton, Curtis, Gardner, Sanny, and Warren.
Faculty Guests: Dr. Joshua Muia, Ms. Sherrita Sweet, and Dr. Vivian Stevens
Administrator Present: Dr. Jeff Stroup

Call to Order:

Action Items

1. Motion to approved agenda with additions, seconded by Dr. Gardner
   Action: Approved

2. Motion to approve minutes from March 2021 by Dr. Cotton, seconded by Dr. Gardner
   Action: Approved

3. Motion to award all 14 “Above and Beyond” nominations
   Action: Approved

4. Motion to vote electronically for the committee roster by Dr. Gardner, seconded by Dr. Curtis
   Action: Approved

5. Motion to table Student Affairs Membership Change Ballot by Dr. Cotton, seconded by Dr. Curtis
   Action: Approved to Table for clarification

6. Motion to move Academic Standards Handbook Ballot 1 “Reducing credit hours allowed for remediation” forward to General Faculty by Dr. Curtis, seconded by Dr. Gardner
   Action: Approved

7. Motion to move Academic Standards Handbook Ballot 2 “Dismissal upon failed course during repeated year” forward to General Faculty by Dr. Curtis, seconded by Dr. Gardner
   Action: Approved

8. Motion to move Academic Standards Handbook Ballot 3 “Reducing cumulative attempts at COMLEX exams” forward to General Faculty by Dr. Curtis, seconded by Dr. Gardner
   Action: Approved

9. Motion to draft a congratulatory letter for Dr. Shrum by Dr. Cotton, seconded by Dr. Sanny.
   Action: Approved
Approval of Agenda:
Motion to approve agenda with minor additions, seconded by Dr. Gardner. Agenda unanimously approved

Administrative Reports:
Dr. Stroup reported no new updates on Dr. Shrum transitioning to Stillwater on July 1st as interim President and what will happen with CHS, however, an update will be given in the next 60 days. Over 9,000 vaccines have been administered in the OSU-CHS pod. Employees, staff, and students at OSU-CHS and OSU-Tulsa have been offered to receive the vaccine. The Administration is not forcing any employees, staff, or students to receive the vaccine.

RPT packets have been received and sent to Dr. Shrum. Faculty evaluations and work effort forms have been sent and due June 11, 2021. Dr. Stroup expressed the process has gone very well.

The PA program has received accreditation. The new class of 26 students will be welcomed in June 2021. The accreditation process will be over a 5-year period.

A follow up with COCA in relation to the first-year establishment of the Cherokee Nation campus will be next week. The site survey was received and overall positive.

Dr. Stroup opened the meeting for questions:

The chair, Dr. Weil asked if the policy has changed with state travel? Dr. Stroup confirmed that no non-essential travel is recommended.

Approval of the March 2021 Minutes:
Motion to approve by Dr. Cotton, seconded by Dr. Gardner. Minutes unanimously approved.

Faculty Senate President’s Report:
The chair, Dr. Weil got the approval from Mr. Hunter to hold the Spring 2021 General Faculty meeting in person in Tandy building room 411 and via zoom. She has been working with Johnathan Franklin, Director of Student Statistics to ensure no difficulties will arise. Voting will be done electronically. Dr. Cotton will become the next President for the Faculty Senate.

Discussion Items:
Presentation by Dr. Vivian Stevens, Promotion and Tenure Committee. Dr. Stevens wanted some feedback regarding how the Faculty Senate would handle potential revisions with 2.1 (page 30) Tenure of the Promotion and Tenure Guidelines. The P and T is proposing for the Faculty Senate to look at the timeline of appointment period and time in rank and determine if there is an issue. The Senate discussed and concluded that no decisions will be made at this time.

Wi-Fi issues on campus

Senate Review of Committee Reports:
Dr. Hall, OSU-Faculty Council Representative, reported they had not met since last month.
Dr. Cotton, Oklahoma State Board of Regents for Higher Education Faculty Advisory Council Representative, reported the document of “no weapons on campus” was submitted. A special speaker by Dr. Bias regarding faculty develop presented at the meeting.

**Old Business:**

Faculty Senate Policy and Procedures – will be discussed at next meeting.

Dr. Curtis and Dr. Gardner received 14 nominations for the “Above and Beyond” Special Award.

*Motion to award all 14 nominations. Unanimously approved.*

- Damon Baker, D.O.
- Candice Bihy
- Dennis Blankenship, D.O.
- Casey Bledsoe, LPN
- Natasha Bray, D.O.
- Ivy Cooper
- Jared Droze
- Jade Goodson
- Barrett Hunter
- Kristen Mattix
- Haley O’Brien, Ph.D.
- Mike Shea
- Kayse Shrum, D.O.
- Mousumi Som, D.O.

**New Business:**

*Motion to vote electronically for the committee roster moved by Dr. Gardner, seconded by Dr. Curtis. Unanimously approved.*

*Motion to table Student Affairs Membership change ballot for clarification by Dr. Cotton, seconded by Dr. Curtis. Unanimously approved.*

*Motion to move Academic Standard Handbook ballot 1 forward to General Faculty by Dr. Curtis, seconded by Dr. Gardner, unanimously approved.*

*Motion to move Academic Standard Handbook ballot 2 forward to General Faculty by Dr. Curtis, seconded by Dr. Gardner. Unanimously approved.*

*Motion to move Academic Standard Handbook ballot 3 forward to General Faculty by Dr. Cotton, seconded by Dr. Gardner. Unanimously approved.*

*Motion to draft a congratulatory letter for Dr. Shrum by Dr. Cotton, seconded by Dr. Sanny. Unanimously approved.*

*Motion to approve Spring 2021 General Faculty Meeting Agenda as amended. Unanimously approved.*

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:25 p.m.