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FACULTY SENATE  
2006-07 TERM MINUTES

DATE: February 16, 2007

TIME: 1:00 PM

PLACE: D502, School of Dentistry

PRESIDING: Binford Nash, President

PRESENT: Dentistry: James Lott, Pia Chatterjee Kirk, and James Fitchie  
SHRP: Becca Pearson, Ken Heard and r. R. Richards  
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Medicine: Christina Barlow, Cheryl Hardy, Ramarao  
Takkallapalli, Olga McDaniel, Parminder Vig, Arthur  
Calimaran, Michelle Horne, Robert Forbes, and Ben  
Nash  
Nursing: LaVerne Grant, Laura Schenk and Renee Williams  
UMC Div.: John Kermode, Jonathan Fratkin, March Ard and  
Mary Marquart

ABSENT: SHRP: Sandra Horne  
Medicine: Honey East and Stan Chapman

**I. Call to order – Dr. Ben Nash**

Dr. Ben Nash called the meeting to order.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of January 19, 2007 were approved as written.

**III. Old Business**

**A. Follow-up on Dr. Will Ferniany's report at January meeting.**

No comments from Senators.

**B. Review of Dr. Jones' request regarding faculty contributing to the funds needed for Habitat for Humanity work being done by medical students**

Dr. Nash reviewed the past discussions of the Senators on the topic. Dr. McDaniel requested information about the amount needed from faculty. Dr. Ard believed part of the funds collected from the United Way Drive was given to Habitat. Dr. Schenk questioned campus-wide faculty donations being given only to the students of the SOM when all the schools on campus participate in

habitat projects. Dr. Fratkin stated that Habitat is considered a religious organization, and therefore this decision must be carefully thought through before endorsing the idea. Dr. Nash suggested that in this particular matter, perhaps the Senators ought not presume to speak for the whole campus faculty. Dr. Ard suggested that perhaps the students solicit funds from their own school's faculty.

Recommendation: Dr. Nash request further information about the amount desired and ascertain if the funds will be given to all students, not only those from the SOM. This information will be brought to the March meeting

**C. Faculty dining room discussion**

The issue arose that the Faculty Dining Room was in fact only for Medical Staff and people in administrative leadership positions. Card have been issued to faculty associated with the SOM clinical practice. This card is entitled Medical Staff Dining Room. Some further discussion ensued about faculty members outside the Medical Staff clinical faculty being refused service in the dining room.

Recommendation: Dr. Nash will try to determine the status of who can use the Faculty dining room and bring information to the March meeting

**D. Follow-up discussion regarding Dr. Garth Bissette**

Senators discussed Dr. Bissette's issues and made every effort to discern the actual problem.

Recommendation: Dr. Nash will discuss the present review process for and expectations of Researchers on the campus with Dr. Hall. Depending on the response from Dr. Hall, Dr. Nash will make a recommendation from the Faculty Senate to Dr. Jones requesting that a Departmental Arbitration Service be established.

**IV. New Business**

None

**V. Announcements**

None

**VI. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m. The next Faculty Senate meeting will be March 16, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

LaVerne Grant  
Secretary