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Minutes of the OUHSC Faculty Senate

SENATORS (S), ALTERNATES (A), AND OFFICERS (O)

PRESENT

ABSENT

Zoom participants

EX-OFFICERS AND GUESTS PRESENT – (meeting was conducted via Zoom)

- I. **Call to Order** - Dr. Lynn Jeffries, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm via Zoom. A quorum was present.
- II. **Guest Speaker: Dr. Martha Ogilvie, PhD, Interim Vice President of Research; Judy Webb-Hapgood, MBA, BSN, CFFAAMA, Director of Purchasing; Tamara Franklin, Assistant Vice President of Research Financial Services**

(Presentation available <https://www.ouhsc.edu/facultysenate/>)

- **Flow chart provided of how ORA is designed (faculty & staff) and description of duties**
- **Challenges ORA experiences**
 - Employee Retention
 - Increasing Volume
 - Increasing complexity of submissions and management of existing awards
 - Infrastructure
- **Acknowledgement of issues and problems and working toward improvement**
- **Subaward Process Turnaround Time**
- **Discussed some common questions that ORA are faced with**
- **Changes/Improvements**
 - 2 new grant positions
 - Four SPAs became certified research administrators
 - Approval for Training/Communication position
 - SoonerTrack Replacement
 - Federal Demonstration Partnership
- **What's Next**
 - Fill positions
 - Replace SoonerTrack
 - Continue the review processes in collaboration with Grants & Contracts, Procurement, and other parties
 - Manage turnaround times
 - Increased communications from the ORA team
- **ORA Contact Information**

III. Approval of January 2021 Minutes –Approved

- Motioned: Fernando Esteban-Florez Second: Patsy Smith- Approved

IV. Report of the Chair –Dr. Lynn Jeffries

- FS Chair has been assigned as ad-hoc to RSPOC; will continue to improve the communication across campus
- Lynn Jeffries will be on search committee for new Director of Human Resources and Katherine O'Neal will be on the search committee for new Chief Human Resources Officer
- FS Exec Committee met with Jill Raines recently:
 - BlueCross/Blue Shield contract still in works; Email was sent out about a Town Hall this Friday at noon if you would like more information
 - Discussed plan improvements for onboarding new faculty; Jeffrey Cooper is Interim Director currently and the FS Exec Committee will meet with him soon
 - Discussed centralizing trainings on campus that are not broadly advertised

IV. Regent's Faculty Advisory Report- Lynn Jeffries

- Discussion on Weapons on Campus Resolution
- Presentation on mental health

APPROVED

V. Committee and Council Reports

Regents Meeting: Report provided

Bylaws Committee: Dr. Lynn Jeffries - No report

Committee on Committees: Dr. Fernando Esteban-Florez – Chair-Elect – No Report

Faculty Compensation Committee: Dr. Aaron Wendelboe – Chair – No report

IT Advisory Committee: Dr. Katherine O’Neal/Renee Leasure– Report provided

Working on building a template for a referral from OU Physicians to other Colleges; shared resources across campus; new IT Resources in the works

Academic Programs Council: Professor Stacy Anderson – Interim Chair – No report

Campus Tenure Committee: Dr. **Ben Crowley** – Chair – No report

Discrimination and Harassment Committee: Dr. Wendy Galbraith & Dr. Suzanne Kimball – No report

Graduate Council: Dr. Eric Howard – Report Provided

Discussion on the amount of online trainings required

Library Advisory Committee: Dr. Shari Kinney- Chair – No report

Research Council: Dr. Larry Regens – Chair – No report

Athletics Council: Dr. Carol Dionne – No report

Commencement Committee: Dr. Denise Bender – No report

Continuing Education Council: Dr. Stacy Anderson – No report

Council on Faculty Awards and Honors: Dr. George Richter-Addo – No report

Employment Benefits Committee: University Committee/Kevin Farmer – No report

Honorary Degrees Screening Committee: Dr. Patsy Smith – No report

Scholars Selection Committee: Dr. Barbara Holtzclaw – No report

Retirement Plans Management Committee: No report

VI. Unfinished Business

VII. Old Business:

- Fernando Esteban-Florez and Eric Howard continues to work with committee to provide a list of available research equipment available on campus; More updates coming soon
- Vaccine Clinics continue to do great work to help the community

VIII. New Business:

- Draft Resolution for OUHSC Weapons on Campus
 - Motioned: Patsy Smith Second: Renee Leasure- Approved
- Faculty Spring Awards will be Wednesday, April 28th at 5:15pm

IX. Announcements/Other Discussion Items

- COVID-19 updates; share questions and concerns anytime
- COVID-19 resource page <https://www.oumedicine.com/coronavirus>
<https://spark.adobe.com/page/W7RQoVoDsz0Sm/>

Next meeting will be Thursday, March 18th at 5pm.

Adjourned: 5:55pm

Respectfully submitted,
Catina Jordan for:

Eric Howard, Secretary 2020-2021

Renee Leasure, Secretary-Elect 2020-2021

Handouts:

February 2021 Agenda

January 2021 Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Draft Weapons on Campus Resolution