UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER FACULTY ASSEMBLY

Meeting Date: September 10, 2013

Time Called to Order: 5:18 P.M.
Time Adjourned: 6:26 P.M.
Meeting Schedule: Held quarterly

MEMBERS PRESENT: Assembly open to all UNTHSC faculty members (approximately 50 attended)

Minutes recorded by: Shay Singleterry, Faculty Affairs Coordinator.

TOPIC / AGENDA	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDED ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	RTA / CLOSED (RTA = Return To Agenda)
Call to Order	Dr. Peter Raven, President of the Faculty Senate, called the assembly to order at 5:18 PM. on Tuesday May 14, 2013.			
Presidential Remarks with Q&A	Dr. Williams, UNTHSC President, thanked all for their attendance. He gave an update on the changes being made to the Mission, Vision, Values and Strategies of UNTHSC. Dr. Williams announced the planning of a new Student Center and Faculty Club. More details on these would be coming out in the future. Dr. Williams provided a hilarious short movie of spontaneous team building. He then encouraged all (faculty and staff) to seek ways to join him in building the image of UNTHSC.		Dr. Williams identified that the image of UNTHSC was the responsibility of all faculty and staff.	

Faculty Affairs	Dr. Yorio, UNTHSC's Provost addressed the following			
presented by Dr.	Faculty Affairs Issues:			
Yorio	Faculty Compensation Plan is a result of Administrative and Faculty Senate input			
	Base Salary - Suggested by the Faculty Senate is			
	in place			
	Bridge Funding Policies for faculty research			
	funding salaries are approved. More details are available on the Faculty Senate website.			
	 Market Adjustments – Pay scales have been 			
	adjusted to be competitive in today's job market.			
	UNTHSC is focusing on their people (employees).			
	Retention is key.			
	• Faculty Club – more details to follow. Will be a great			
	place for faculty to get to know each other outside of			
	the campus atmosphere.			
	Regents Professorship nominees that had been on hold			
	for two years were approved at the last Board of	Department Chairs need to	Department Chairs.	
	Regents meeting:	evaluate their faculty to determine if other faculty		
	 We do not have a lot of Regents Professors. We have many that are deserving of a Regents 	are worthy of nomination.		
	Professor title.			
	Emeritus Professors: This is a second property to the second professor than the second pro			
	This is a great way to recognize those professors who have retired but continue to			
	contribute to UNTHSC.			
	Vision – Virtual Teaching Technology Changing role of Teaching Foulty Modern	All faculty need to be		
	 Changing role of Teaching Faulty – Modern Technology is changing the role of faculty in 	aware of developing		
	today's world. UNTHSC is trying to stay	technologies and distance learning techniques.		
	ahead. New 3-D hologram technology has	rourning teeninques.		
	been ordered for the library. UNTHSC is also looking at using iTunes, YouTube, etc as			
	methods of teaching, removing the live			
	teacher.			

	Vision – Institutes Changing the structure and funding of Research Faculty. UNTHSC is trying to fund more Faculty. Dr. Yorio is going to work with Dr. Raven to development a Faculty Senate subcommittee to look at ways to reward faculty and how to increase retention rates thru recognition and rewards for loyalty and service.		Dr. Raven will follow up on this item.	RTA
Faculty Affairs presented by Dr. Raven	 Change of Faculty Senate Composition (Real Senate) A proposal was made to change the composition of the Faculty Senate to like that of a real senate. That would be four senators from each college/school with one alternate. Whichever college/school the senate president is elected from, will elect a fifth senator so they will have four voting senators at all times. The Faculty Bylaws have been revised to reflect the change in senate composition and are pending approval. The Faculty Senate Bylaws have been revised to reflect the change in senate composition and are pending approval. Results of the Evaluation of Deans through Chairs – Part 1 survey were presented to the Assembly. The aggregate data has been posted to the Faculty Senate website for all faculty to view. The Evaluation of Administrators – Part 2 survey should be going out to the faculty soon and those results will be shared with faculty upon completion. Dr. Raven discussed the role of faculty in shared governance with the UNTHSC administration. They need to work together as a team and not against one another. He encouraged the faculty to take the steps to start working with the administration instead of against them. 	The Provost has been using the results to assist in his evaluation of the Administrators.		

GSBS	Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences announced the
Announcements	awards were issued to:
Amouncements	Tom Cunningham, PhD
	Dr. Cunningham received the 2013 Colden Apple A word for Tooching
	Golden Apple Award for Teaching
	Nathalie Sumien, PhD
	• Dr. Sumien received the 2013
	Outstanding Graduate Faculty Award for
	Research
" Predatory	Mr. Burgard spoke about the dangers of using web based
Publishers" Dan	publishers.
Burgard, Director of	If faculty do use a web based publisher, be sure
Library	that you have researched them to be a legitimate
	business. They charge high fees, services are
	limited and often exploit open access movement.
	If in doubt, faculty can always use the campus
	librarian as a resource for verifying that the
	publisher is legitimate.
	He urged faculty to be very cautious and to
	instruct their students to do the same.
Parking Issues	Mr. Barrett spoke about the parking issues that occur at the
Stephen Barrett,	beginning of a new academic year.
Vice President of	Many surrounding neighborhoods require that
Operations	even the residents have permits to park on the
_	streets during certain times. He stated that if
	faculty/staff/students are parking in these areas
	they are subject to being towed and are
	responsible for the fees incurred.
	Additional curb parking (permit required) has
	been added in the area around the MET and Police
	Department buildings.
	• Starting December 1, 2013, there will be
	approximately 90 additional parking spaces in Lot
	14, when UNTHSC takes back control of this
	building.
	Contains.

	 UNTHSC is working with the City of Fort Worth to once again allow parking at the Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum. Additional details to follow. Mr. Barrett said that The State of Texas will not fund the construction of parking garages/facilities. This expense must be absorbed by UNTHSC. All faculty/staff are encouraged to use public transportation and/or carpool if at possible to help reduce the parking problems on and around the campus. 		
Closing Remarks,	Dr. Raven thanked all for attending and he stated that he		
Dr. Raven	was looking forward to serving as President of the Faculty Senate.		
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 6:26 PM		

Minutes approved for distribution by Dr. Peter Raven.

Next Faculty Assembly will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at 5:15 PM in Luibel Hall. A Holiday Reception will immediately follow in the Atrium of the EAD.