Call to Order: David Naylor called meeting to order at 4:03PM

Minutes: Approved as presented

Chair’s Report: David Naylor

1. COFSP update: The Regents were asked to review and revise the social media policy and they rejected the request. All state educational institutions have endorsed the suspension of the policy and a proposal asking for that suspension will be delivered to the Regents on Wednesday, February 12, 2014. It is planned that 75 to 100 faculty members from the University of Kansas and Kansas State University will be at the Regents meeting to show support of the proposal for suspension of the social media policy.

2. KBOR update: KBOR meetings are open to the public, so all interested parties are welcome to attend. Dr. Naylor will be unable to attend February’s KBOR meeting; however, Dr. Girod and Dr. Klein will attend.

Academic Affairs Update: Robert Klein

Report was tabled until the March meeting

EVC office Report: Karen Miller

Report was tabled until the March meeting

Standing Committee Reports:

ELECTIONS:

1. Wendy Hildenbrand has worked with Jennifer Egger, in the Academic Affairs, to obtain the names of Faculty Assembly members, and now has the list.

2. Wendy sent an email to all committee members to confirm positions. There are some vacancies on some committees. Names of persons on last year’s ballot, who are currently not on committees, will be placed on ballot to fill the vacancies.

3. Ballots were to have gone out on Feb. 1, but instead, ballots will be given to Karen Chin, and will be sent out, tomorrow. Since the ballots are late, would the Faculty Steering Committee make a motion and second that “because of the snow storm and bad weather, this year the 30 days for the ballots to be open are from Feb.11 to Mar. 11. Ballots would then be reviewed via emails between committee members from March 12 to March 31. Election results would then be sent out on April 1, per the
bylaws.” The steering committee authorized a one-time, only, change for the dates the ballots will be open as listed above. The elections committee must make sure that all those nominated accept the nomination before placing on the ballot.

It was noted that Wendy has been acting as a one person committee as members of the Election Committee are not showing up for meetings. The Steering Committee wants to make sure all committees are operating as a committee.

RESEARCH

1. The FARC committee met Feb. 3rd and will meet again on Monday March 3rd.
2. The faculty travel awards were approved and the speaker for Faculty Research Day in October has been found. Dr. Jean Schaffer MD will discuss the cardiovascular risk prevention.
3. The committee also reviewed the “Next Generation Inter-Institutional Study Section” document to be used next year for the scientific review.
4. The December scientific review for the Pilot Frontier, Clinical and Lied grants went well and the Council met in January to determine the funding based on the reviewer scores.
5. At the RAC meeting, the CRIS policy is still tabled and the Research Prioritization for KUMC was approved by the RAC and the process for these prioritizations is now being discussed.
6. These research prioritizations should be discussed at the spring Faculty Assembly for all faculty to have an opportunity to discuss.
7. The Bridge policy has been approved but not implemented yet.

INFORMATION RESOURCES

1. The library is now the Library and Student Center.
2. Michael Harmelink is the new Library Director.
3. The second floor of the library is “weeding out” about 90% of outdated materials. The materials that are deemed “still valid” will be stored and can be retrieved within a 24 hour period.
4. Some thought will be given to selling the outdated materials.
5. Library is underfunded:
   a. Only funding comes from the State of Kansas and a small ($10,000.00) donation by the hospital. The hospital donation is much smaller than in the past.
   b. Would it be possible to have the SON, SOM and SHP to donate to the library?
   c. Can money to library be part of Integrated Health System negotiations?
FACULTY CONCERNS

1. This committee has not met for the spring semester, but will be meeting soon.
2. An email was sent to all committee members asking them to review the portion of the bylaws which deals with the Faculty Concerns committee and report back with thoughts on changes, corrections, and or deletions.
3. The Faculty Concerns email is still up and can be used

SHP FACULTY STEERING COMMITTEE

1. The committee approved the Social Media Proposal and will present to the faculty.
2. Updates on ADA and Internal Programs are needed

SOM FACULTY COUNCIL

1. The council met and approved 360 Review for Medical School Curriculum
2. The Social Media Proposal was endorsed by the School of Medicine

SON FACULTY ASSEMBLY

1. Post tenure review will be implemented until the BOR approves.
2. School of Nursing and KU MED are working with community colleges to add BSN degree.
3. Degree would be obtained through on line classes with an eight semester curriculum.
4. For-profit educational programs would not be eligible to be part to the new program.
5. The new program will be presented to the State Board of Nursing in February and it will be review in June.

Old Business:

   Social Media Policy
1. A proposal revising the social media policy has been endorsed by all Steering Committees and will be presented to the BOR on Feb. 12.
2. The BOR review committee will review the Social Media Policy and will finalize it on April 24.
3. Faculty representation at the Feb. 12 BOR meeting would be welcomed
4. Students on the KU and KSU campuses endorsed a “no social media” policy.
5. Faculty Handbook Review and Edits-- The proposed edits, corrections, additions to the Bylaws of the Faculty Assembly are due by April 15st, so they may be presented at the Spring Faculty Assembly meeting on May 21, 2014

New Business:
No new business

Next meeting: March 10 @ 4:00pm in 5015 Wescoe