MINUTES
Friday, April 4, 2003
Room N319D


Excused: K. Dracup, C. Kelber, S. Rankin

Guest: Zina Mirsky (for K. Dracup)

The meeting of the School of Nursing Faculty Council was called to order by Chair Pinderhughes on April 4, 2003 at 11:00 a.m. in Room N-319D.

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes from the February 28, 2003 meeting was approved with modifications.

Chair’s Announcements

Chair Pinderhughes reported that at today’s Coordinating Committee the chair of the Chancellor’s Task Force on Faculty Life at UCSF had presented the task force’s report (http://www.ucsf.edu/senate/2002-2003/Report-ClimateForFaculty.pdf). UCSF had conducted a survey regarding the campus’ climate for faculty among all paid faculty during the fall of 2001. After publication of the results in April 2002, Chancellor Bishop convened the task force to review the report and provide recommendations based on those results. Ruth Greenblatt, MD, chair of the task force, had indicated that the report lacked data from minority faculty members due to the small number of those faculty members at UCSF. Chair Pinderhughes agreed to transmit a communication to Professor Greenblatt on this issue.

The Academic Senate Task Force on Conflict of Interest had reported to the Coordinating Committee its current activities. The task force plans to create a report and proposals for a revised conflict of interest policy for UCSF. A town hall will be planned for faculty to discuss the proposal and vote on which proposal should be transmitted to Chancellor Bishop for consideration.

A town hall will be planned for the end of this month to present each school’s perspective on the Long Range Development Plan Amendment and consider comments from faculty.
Dean’s Report

Associate Dean Mirsky presented the School of Nursing’s 2002-03 budget reduction figures. Because of UC’s commitment to protecting core academic functions, many of the reductions will occur in the dean’s office’s budget that does not rely on state support. Associate Dean Mirsky indicated that she will present the reductions to each department and seek input.

Departmental Reports

Community Health Systems – (C. Portillo)
- The Department has completed the search for the Chair position and has presented its recommendations to Dean Dracup.

Family Health Care Nursing – (K. Chesla)
- The Department is still searching to fill 3 faculty positions and recently began preparations as a result of Vice Chair Brenda Roberts’ retirement.

Institute for Health and Aging – (M. La Plante)
- A team composed of faculty from the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences and the Institute on Aging applied to the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research for a Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on "Meeting the Nation's Needs for Personal Assistance Services," a five-year $4.5 million study. Charlene Harrington is the principal investigator, and Bob Newcomer, Steve Kaye, and Mitch LaPlante are co-principal investigators. A site visit at UCSF was conducted, and results are expected soon.

Physiological Nursing – (B. Drew)
- A meeting of the Academic Senate faculty in the department will be held to discuss possible appointments for two available faculty positions.

Social & Behavioral Sciences – (H. Pinderhughes)
- SBS is having a departmental retreat in April, 2003 to discuss revisions to the core curriculum.

Student Report – P. Baird
- The Nursing Student Council plans to hold elections for student council leaders for the 2003-04 school year in the near future.
- The Nursing Student Council awarded eight one-hundred dollar travel grants to students who presented research at conferences. Travel grants in the amount of $100 are available. Faculty may apply as well as students.
Report from School of Nursing Committee Representatives

Research Committee - (C. Portillo)
The following faculty members received grants from the School of Nursing Committee on Research:

- Bradley Aouizerat: Genomic Determinants of Non-Alcoholic Steatopathtitis (NASH) ($14,955)
- Kit Chesla: Coping Skills Training for Couples Managing Type 2 Diabetes ($13,251)
- Julia Faucett/Marion Gillen: State of the Art Lifting Equipment and Its Effect on Injury Rates ($3,667)
- Teresa Juarbe: A Lifestyle Modification Intervention for Older Latina Women with Hypercholesteremia ($13,201)

Report from Divisional and Systemwide Academic Senate Committees

Committee on Research – (K. Chesla)
The Academic Senate Committee on Research recently completed review of the Shared Equipment Grants and awarded grants to four out of 11 proposals. K. Chesla raised concerns regarding the lack of information from the Office of the Academic Senate to committee members on the amount of funds available. She also indicated that the committee discussed administrating the biannual Individual Investigator Grants to an annual basis and members agreed to continue the current process. It was noted that the Academic Senate website currently does not indicate how many grant proposals received funding, out of how many submitted. Faculty Council suggested that the Academic Senate indicate this on its website as it is important information for faculty considering future submissions.

Old Business

School Strategic Plan Update
During discussion of the draft School Strategic Plan, the Faculty Council raised concern that it was unclear as to the goal of the Plan and raised questions of whether it will serve as an internal school document or as an external marketing tool or both. Chair Pinderhughes requested continued discussion of the draft Plan in each department and submission of feedback to him by April 20 from the department representatives.

Long Range Development Plan Update
A campus town hall meeting is being planned by the Academic Senate for the end of April, 2003 to present input from each of the four schools. Chair Pinderhughes and K. Chesla agreed to create a presentation for the town hall and present it at the April 25, 2003 to the Faculty Council for discussion before the town hall.

New Business

There being no further business, a motion was made and approved to adjourn at 1:00 p.m.
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*Named to Council Effective January 24, 2003
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