SCHOOL OF NURSING FACULTY COUNCIL  
Barbara Drew, RN, PhD, Chair

MINUTES  
Meeting of May 14, 2004

PRESENT: B. Drew (Chair), C. Portillo (Vice Chair), K. Chesla, K. Dracup, C. Kelber, B. Miller, H. Pinderhughes, K. Puntillo, S. Robinson, E. Scarr

GUESTS: Zina Mirsky, Associate Dean, Administration

Chair Drew called the meeting of the School of Nursing Faculty Council to order on Friday, May 14, 2004 at 9:04 AM in Room N-319. A quorum was present.

Minutes
A motion to approve the minutes of April 23, 2004 was unanimously approved by the Faculty Council.

Chair’s Report
After discussion, the Council agreed to consider canceling the June 25, 2004 meeting. Should new issues arise requiring the Faculty Council to convene, members will be notified. Otherwise, this meeting of May 14, 2004 marks the final of the year.

The Academic Council is looking into promotion from Professor Step V to Step VI, which has traditionally been seen as one of the highest levels of advancement. However, with the advent of Steps 7-9 in the professorial series as well as above-scale appointments, the Academic Council is considering whether the heavy barrier between V and VI is still warranted. The Academic Council is also considering the frequency of evaluations above step VI.

Academic Senate Chair Leonard Zegans has asked Vice Chancellor Steve Barclay for release time for future Senate chairs starting in 2006. This would provide some financial incentive for faculty to serve, and parallels money and/or support provided to chairs on other campuses.

A proposal to reimburse University tuition for the children of faculty has been tabled indefinitely after the UC Office of the President (UCOP) decided that individual campuses would need to cover the costs.

It is likely that a Women’s and Children’s Hospital—without cancer—will be built at Mission Bay. However, obstetricians have warned that OB/Gyn needs the services of specialists located in adult medicine. A final decision is expected the first week of June.
Dean’s Report
UCOP announced a 6-year compact between Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, UC President Robert Dynes, and CSU Chancellor Charles Reed, which seeks to stabilize the financial planning of state tertiary schools. In exchange for greater accountability mechanisms, the State will provide increased funding for basic budget and enrollment growth, beginning 2005-06. Beginning 2005-06, UC faculty and staff will see 3% salary increases per year.

Unfortunately, students will be the hardest hit by the compact as fees increase. Undergraduate fees will increase by 10% on average over the next three years, with additional increases still a possibility. Graduate and professional fees will increase by 20% in 2004-05, and then 10% each year in 2005-06 and 2006-07. Only 20-33% of these fee increases will be redirected towards student financial aid. While the School of Nursing is exempt, other schools on campus will raise fees even higher to support school budgets. More information on the compact can be found at URL: http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/compact/welcome.html.

Dean Dracup updated the council on progress made under the Moore Nursing Initiative. Thus far, two grants to the School have been approved, one for an accelerated doctoral program at UCSF and the other for work led by Nancy Donaldson under the CalNOC project to track patient outcomes. Two other proposals will be considered at the July Board meeting of the Foundation, one that would create an enhanced residency program for nursing staff and is a collaboration across many schools and agencies, the other for leadership training in management led by Edward O’Neil, PhD, MPA, Director of the Center for Health Professions.

Dracup pointed out that the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation do not accept unsolicited funding proposals, i.e., the foundation’s interests are driving the distribution of funds. However, Dracup encouraged interested faculty members to attend town meetings, especially since the School is taking a leadership role in developing and implementing the Moore Nursing Initiative. Dracup assured the Council that the process for directing school funds will be transparent, and that all faculty members will have equal access to these resources whenever possible.

Continued Discussion and Approval of School of Nursing Committee Assignments
The Faculty Council reviewed and approved appointments to the ten school committees. Approximately fifty-seven assignments were made in total.

Continued Discussion and Review of APM 278, 279, 133-0, and 210-6
The Faculty Council unanimously rejected the proposed title, “Community Health Professor.”

Department and Student Reports
Family Health Care Nursing is interviewing candidates for Vice Chair of Administration/Academic Coordinator to replace Brenda Roberts. A final decision will be announced soon. In other news, Roberts was awarded the Sigma Theta Tau Margretta Styles Award for 2004.

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1 Subsequently, the UC Regents supported the compact in a 14-2 vote on May 20, 2004.
Physiological Nursing reported that Nancy Donaldson will conduct a 90 minute information session on the Moore Initiative. This event will take place on June 9, 2004. In other news, Brad Aouizerat has been awarded two grants, one from the American Heart Association.

Susan Robinson reported that there will be five new incoming student officers for 2004-05.

There being no further business, Chair Drew adjourned the meeting at 11:00 AM.

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