HSC FACULTY ASSEMBLY
University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center
Minutes – January 31, 2006

Attendees 9th Avenue: Dennis Lezotte, Colleen Conry, Elizabeth D’Antonio-Gan, Vicki Erickson, Marilyn Krajicek, David Port, Donna Stach, Kathleen Stringer, Clyde Tucker, Greg Stiegmann

Attendees Fitzsimons: Claire Collins, Mike Glode, Donna Stach, Tonya Ewers

Excused Absences: Laurie Shroyer, Sheryl Follin Vondracek, Carlos Catalano, Jeff Holt, Madeline Kane, Lew Pizer, John Sbarbaro, Marie Hastings-Tolsma, Leslie Jameson, Daniel Wilson

Guests: At Fitzsimons, Kim Glasscock graciously attended on behalf of the Silver and Gold, Marguerite Childs, Rob Berg, Steve Lowenstein, Dennis Petersen, Denny Webster, Rick Forsman

I. Call to Order
Dr. Lezotte called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m., as well as thanked all participants for coming. The Minutes from November 2005 were approved.

II. Promotion and Tenure
Representatives from our four HSC schools (Dennis Petersen, School of Pharmacy; Denny Webster, School of Nursing; Rob Berg, School of Dentistry; and Steve Lowenstein, School of Medicine) made presentations that detailed each school’s procedures and policies regarding promotion and tenure of their respective faculties. In addition, Marguerite Childs, Associate Vice chancellor, Academic Affairs, provided an overview of the chancellor’s role in the process and procedures of promotion and tenure. At present the Chancellor has a standing committee that provides review and feedback on any tenure recommendations that come from the Schools when and if the Chancellor feels he needs a second opinion or a more in-depth review. There are no specific policies regarding the membership of this committee, how members are recruited, how members rotate on and off the committee, or the length service of members. At present the committee has members from all the schools and periodically subgroups of the committee are called upon to provide an opinion/recommendation to the chancellor. Rarely would the entire committee be called upon to review a single case. The Faculty Assembly members and guests agreed that the presentations were helpful and informative. (Copies of the PowerPoint presentations are available to FA members for review.)

III. Chancellor’s Report
Interim Chancellor Greg Stiegmann met with the HSC Faculty Assembly for the first time since taking the position. Chancellor Stiegmann distributed a fact sheet entitled “UCDHSC $23 Million General Fund Investment in the Health Sciences Center.” An external study was conducted of tuition and state funding per student for the HSC schools relative to peers. The fact sheet has charts showing the current average funding and the impact of a $23 million state investment in HSC.

III. Library Discussion
There was a brief discussion about an action item submitted by Rick Forsman, Director, Denison Library. Director Forsman’s recommendation is: Dissolve the standing Library Advisory Committee (LAC) as it exists, and have Faculty Assembly establish a new ad hoc committee with a draft charge and operating rules. The Faculty Assembly will vote on this recommendation at the February meeting.

No school reports were given verbally. Members were asked to submit written (e-mail) reports of any information they wished to have added to the minutes for this time.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectively submitted by
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President, UCHSC Faculty Assembly