President Sandra Gompf called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Minutes

The President asked if there were any comments regarding the minutes of the June Faculty Council meeting. There were none, and a motion was made for approval. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved as submitted.

Nominating Committee Report

On behalf of Secretary Michael Nolan and Nominating Committee Chair Marion Ridley, President Gompf reported that the Nominating Committee has selected a slate of candidates for the upcoming election of Faculty Officers. The candidates for Vice President are Edward Eikman, MD, Associate Professor in the Department of Radiology, and Lynn Ringenberg, MD, Associate Professor in the Department of Pediatrics. The candidates for Secretary are Douglas Holt, MD, Professor in the Department of Internal Medicine, and Gene Ness, PhD, Professor in the Department of Molecular Medicine.

Bylaws

President Gompf reported that the proposed bylaws revisions (Version C) were approved by the Faculty by a vote of 25 in favor and 4 opposed. The revisions will now be presented to the Dean for final approval.

As briefly discussed at the June meeting, the LCME has cited the College of Medicine for lack of monthly meetings of the Executive Council, as stipulated in the Bylaws. Prior to his departure, Vice Dean Paul Wallach recommended that the Executive Council meet quarterly, rather than monthly, in place of the first hour of the All Chairs meeting. This recommendation has been forwarded to the Bylaws Committee for consideration. On behalf of Dr. Dolly Swisher, Committee Chair, President Gompf asked for input from the Faculty on this issue. Specifically, will a quarterly meeting schedule allow for sufficient discussion of faculty issues, as originally envisioned in the bylaws, and will this change meet the current needs of the faculty? President Gompf requested that Faculty Council representatives seek input from their departments and send any comments to her or Dr. Swisher.

Dean’s Remarks

Dean Klasko reported that, on the educational side, the Academic Performance Review Committee recently held a retreat to address such issues as handling of student appeals. The Medical Student Selection Committee has a retreat scheduled in August, at which the new Committee members will be welcomed and issues relating to admissions will be addressed. With regard to the clinical mission, the
orthopedic residency program has been launched with six initial residents. This year, USF Health will look closely at its hospital relationships. The new buildings are moving forward. The Tampa General site will be ready for occupancy on August 27, and the Morsani Center is currently scheduled to open on March 1. Dean Klasko briefly discussed the new RO strategy, and then yielded the floor to Dr. Abdul Rao, Vice Dean for Research, for additional details.

**Research Report**

Dr. Rao provided background with regard to RO accounts and explained their purpose. He then elaborated on the new policy, including its potential impact on faculty. The principle of the policy is to encourage spending on RO accounts to enhance research capacity in a fiscally responsible manner. The Financial Oversight Committee will provide oversight. This topic will be further discussed at the next All Chair’s meeting.

**New Business from Floor**

A question was asked from the floor with regard to the 1.4% increase in base pay for other USF faculty, effective July 27. Dean Klasko responded that this issue will be addressed by the Financial Oversight Committee.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.