College of Medicine and Life Sciences Council Meeting Minutes Place: HEB 105

Date: Tuesday, February 18th, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Council Members and Other Faculty Present:

Jacob Bieszczad, Jennifer Hill, Marthe Howard (research council rep), Jason Huntley, Youngsook Yoon-Krawczyk, Beata Lecka-Czernik, Joseph Margiotta, Marlene Porter, Vice Chancellor Dorothea Sawicki, Roland Skeel (Medicine), Jennifer Smirnoff-Poling, [name unclear] (Surgery)

Council Members Absent: David Giovannucci (Grad Council Rep), Gregory Filatoff, Kandace Williams, Joseph Ryno, David Weldy (excused), Isabel Novella, Alexei Fedorov (excused), Srini Hejeebu (excused), Deepak Malhotra, Jodi Tinkel, James Willey, Lawrence Elmer, John Wall, John Geisler, Mustafa Khan, Kenneth Muldrew, Deepak Mukundan (excused), April Gardner, Edwin Sanchez, Guillermo Vazquez, Alina Rais, Sheryl Milz, Krishna Reddy (excused), Jacob Bieszczad, Reginald Baugh (excused), Thomas A. Schwann (excused), Munier Nazzal (excused), Ajay Singla (excused)

Note that while attendance of representatives is recorded for voting purposes, these meetings are intended as a forum for all COM faculty.

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Call to Order		By Council President Porter at 5:03 p.m.
Minutes	President Porter clarified that a quorum is not needed for approval of minutes	September and November minutes were approved
Address by Interim Dean McGinnis	 Search for new dean is being undertaken by Korn Ferry International, led by Dr. Warren Ross, a former Dean at Drexel. The job description was finalized and released, to be advertized nationally. The search committee has a balance of clinical and basic members. A new Dean would report directly to President and remain head of practice plans and head of medical school. Search for Dr. Gold took 18 months, but Dr. Jacobs would prefer it be completed this summer. Budget process is ongoing, chairs are bringing proposed budgets. UT has a deficit due to decreased enrollment and state funding. Deficit for COM described as minor, "fairly flat." Dr. McGinnis sees some room for growth but needs to be balanced with income. Congratulations to our students for being selected for The AMA's Section Involvement Grant (SIG) program "Event of the Month" awards for their SaveGME Letter Writing Campaign as well as their Specialty Speed Dating Event held in February. 	

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Q&A	 There has been an amicable agreement with St. Luke's to transfer residencies in family medicine back to UT in July of 2015 after 8 years there. The old VA building may be renovated to house residency. The physicians are reportedly excited to be returning. In response to a question from Dr. Howard, Dr. McGinnis stated that ongoing searches to fill open positions will be supported There has been administrative discussion about how much nonfunded research to support. He stated that research is necessary for the quality of medical education, and he is working with Mr. Pyles on questions of how to provide support for research. He would like to develop new ways of finding research funding. 		
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Notice of standing committee information availability	Standing committee information is now posted on COM Council website	Tabled until next meeting given the lack of a quorum.	
Notice that Mr. Pyles, Mr. Morlock, and Dr. McGinnis will be speaking at our next meeting		We will forward workload metrics survey responses to Mr. Pyles so that he can address them	
Mention of important upcoming dates	Dr. Sawicki described facilities in the Simulation Center and encouraged attending open house, also mentioned March 28 th Academy of Educators interprofessional education session that will include a tour of the Center	•	
Reminder of election nominations by President Porter		Additional information will be provided closer to data of elections	

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Adjourn		•	By Council President Porter Next meeting of COM Council will be Tuesday, April 15 th , 5:00 p.m 6:00 p.m., HEB 105
Minutes Submitted	• By secretary, Jennifer Hill, on April 10 th , 2014.		