UMKC School of Medicine
Faculty Council Meeting Minutes - Approved
July 11, 2011

Attendance:

Present:
David Hermanns, MD, MPH (Chair – (TMCHH)
Meg Gibson, MD (TMCL)
Mahesh Patel, MD (CBM)
Doug Swanson, MD (CMH)
Bob Yang, PhD (SOM)

Absent:
Mary Gerkovich, PhD (SOM)
Jerilynn Hart, DO (SLH)
Mark Miller, MS (CBM)
Eugenia Pallotto, MD (CMH)
Amber Wollesen, MD (SLH)

Guest:
Paul Cuddy, PharmD (SOM)
Deborah K. Green, MA, HRDV (SOM)

Meeting called to order at 4:45 p.m. by Dr. David Hermanns, Chairman.

Agenda Item 1:

Introduction of committee members – Dr. Hermanns asked committee members present to introduce themselves. Dr. Mahesh Patel is a new member, replacing Dr. Stefan Nawab. Dr. Bob Yang will retire 09/01/2011; an election will be held to elect a replacement representative.

Agenda Item 2:

Dr. Hermanns explained the function of the Faculty Council Committee as being part of a reporting structure that ultimately reports directly to the Dean; however, it reports its activities to Coordinating Committee and has voting representation on the committee. Faculty concerns can be heard, even if you are not a part of the other committees. The Bylaws do reflect the promotional process for all faculty members.

Agenda Item 3:

Dr. Paul Cuddy presented the history and purpose of Article VII. Standing Faculty Committees, Section 1. After committee members’ review of the Faculty Council Bylaws, minor changes were made and approved by unanimous consent.
**Agenda Item 4:**

Minutes from the April 4, 2011 meeting were reviewed by committee members; minor changes were made and approved by unanimous consent.

**Agenda Item 5:**

Please be informed that we anticipate Dr. Stephanie Ellison, and possibly the Dean, Dr. Betty Drees, to attend the next quarterly meeting – October 3, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. Dr. Ellison, Associate Dean, Council on Curriculum, will present the new competencies that govern the undergraduate program. Dean Drees will provide an update on medical school matters and will take questions on the recent evaluation of the Dean.

**Agenda Item 6:**

Updates from Committee Members –

**CMH** – Dr. Doug Swanson gave a follow-up from the last meeting – the general pediatricians and Adolescent Medicine have completed the move to the Broadway building (at the main campus). The next group scheduled to move will be Endocrinology. The current office has grown beyond its space capabilities, with construction in progress. The commute between buildings is approximately 5 minutes. Currently, there is adequate parking for faculty. However, the nursing and administrative staff may soon be affected by the parking situation.

**CBM** – Dr. Mahesh Patel announced a reunion, planned for October 2011, inviting all graduates from the Department of Psychiatry and hosted by the Hornstra Society. The CBM and TMCBH faculty are working together for the Psychiatry Resident and Medical Student curriculum on an ongoing basis, with the addition of new faculty members.

**BMS** – Dr. Bob Yang reported that Basic Medical Sciences is seeking to fill his vacancy for the position of Biochemist; the search is progressing slowly but well.

**TMC Lakewood** – Dr. Meg Gibson reported that things are going well with Dr. Mike O’Dell, Chairman. There is a push to have the Primary Care Medical Home – there is a lot of faculty involvement, a focus on the continuous quality improvement process, and overall positive aspects. The residential clinic schedule is working better and the OB numbers are up.

Dr. Hermanns commented that he has somewhat become Dr. O’Dell’s counterpart in the aspect of ambulatory care. The theme from Hospital Hill is the recognition that the future is looking toward ambulatory care. CMS, Medicaid, and third-party commercial payers are asking, “What do you have in place to keep patients out of the Emergency Room, thus out of the hospital?” We are going to have a challenging, fascinating, and stressful time over the next couple of months.

The next Faculty Council Meeting is scheduled for **Monday, October 3, 2011 at 4:30 p.m.** – Dean’s Large Conference Room (SOM).

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.