Attendance:

Present: Paul Cuddy, Mary Gerkovich, Meg Gibson, Deborah Green, David Hermanns, Eugenia Pallotto, Doug Swanson.

Absent: Jerilyn Hart, Mark Miller, Mahesh Patel, Amber Wollensen

Meeting called to order at 4:35 p.m. by Dr. David Hermanns. Following is a brief overview of the agenda items presented and discussed:

Item 1:
Results of recent LCME visit to the School of Medicine (March 4 – 6, 2012) – The purpose of this visit: a limited accreditation survey to address outstanding issues that were identified during their visit in 2010. The overall results were favorable. The LCME representatives were pleased to know that a policy is in place to increase diversity, more specifically in the area of basic sciences.

Item 2:
Faculty Council Administered Faculty Award – During a brainstorming discussion, suggestions were made regarding the development of an award to recognize outstanding faculty – one that is unique in nature and unlike any that are currently awarded. A faculty awards sub-committee will be appointed, coordinated, and comprised of a larger, more varied group of representatives to determine niches that are not currently awarded, and find out what awards are available. On behalf of Dean Betty M. Drees, we want to gain greater visibility as the Faculty Council. Our tasks will be to:

- Provide names plus written documentation to support each nomination
- Select a group of individuals to establish and identify the criterion for the award
- Find examples of national awards to emulate

Please know that the work involved in this effort will definitely be worthwhile.

Item 3:
July 2012 Faculty Council Vacancies and Elections – Members were asked to nominate other faculty to serve as their replacements for filling upcoming vacancies on the committee.

Item 4:
Finalization of Official Campus-wide Voting List – The 32-person list is comprised of program directors for clerkship, associate deans, and department chairs.

Item 5:
A brief report was given by Dr. Hermanns regarding the School of Medicine budget.

Brief reports and from Council Members: Reports were given, regarding upcoming events, as well as issues of note from respective institutions.

Next Meeting: July 2, 2012 at 4:30 p.m., SOM Dean’s Large Conference Room, 1st Floor.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.