

UMKC School of Medicine National Board of Alumni and Community Partners Meeting
April 21, 2017

Attendees: Dr. Mark Ediger, President Call-in: Dr. Alex Norbash
Dr. Diana Dark
Dr. Raymond Cattaneo
Dr. Dee Anna Glaser
Dr. Tracy Stevens
Dr. Susan Storm
Dr. Thomas Toth

1. **Dr. Mark Ediger** called meeting to order and welcomed everyone.
2. **UMKC Chancellor Leo Morton** - Campus update
 - Hospital Hill interdisciplinary collaborations – UMKC Health Sciences District
 - Budget – must invest in School of Medicine. “Never waste a crisis”
 - Enrollment is steady
 - Downtown Arts Campus will move forward
 - Next capital campaign focus – Hospital Hill
3. **Dean Steven Kanter** – State of the School of Medicine update
 - Budget – Committed to core missions: educate students, serve patients, research cures
 - Accreditation update – All C’s. The best possible outcome. On-site evaluations in April 2018
 - 6 year program and Docent system alive and well and here to stay
 - Presentation, “Building on a Strong Foundation” (see attached)
 - UMKC Health Sciences District – collaboration with affiliates and partners
4. **Dr. Michael O’Dell** and **Peter Lazarz**, Executive Director of Sojourner Clinic (Year 5 student) – Sojourner Clinic and Its Future
 - History of clinic, free service for medically indigent
 - 12-32 patients every Sunday afternoon
 - Need financial assistance for lab, patient care supplies
 - www.sojournerhealthclinic.com

5. **Dr. Felix Okah** – Career Services and Alumni Advisor Program update
 - Current programs: Career Fair, Program Directors Forum, Mock Interviews
 - Match Information (see attached)
 - SOM Alumni Advisor Program – working to refresh and relaunch
6. **Provost Barbara Bichelmeyer** – Research and Higher Education Trends update
 - UMKC positioned well for future of higher education – public, urban institutions
 - Research is how we teach students how to learn
 - SOM has history of innovation – inter-professional, interdisciplinary education
 - One Health Initiative – Human, Animal, Plant. Collaborate with Kansas State and UM-Columbia
 - Discussion – Expertise used to be what you know, now it is what you do with what you know
7. **Dr. Paula Nichols** – Research at UMKC School of Medicine update
 - Grow research: faculty, residents & fellows, students
 - Identify quality mentors and projects for students
 - Student involvement continues to grow – concern over sense of competition to complete more research. Must shift focus to quality over quantity
 - Must train students to think scientifically to gain experience with coding
8. **Dr. Raymond Cattaneo** – Year 1 & 2 Program update
 - Research – must ask permission to begin in 2nd semester of year 1. Allow up to 4 hours per week upon approval
 - Admissions – Class of 2023: 1400 applications, 350 interviews, 128 offers, 110 spots
 - Year 1 advising includes mandatory in-person meetings
 - Concerns of depression, suicide
9. Other business
 - Dr. Ediger will transition out of current role. Identify next President
 - Identify new board members: active, diverse
 - Update by-laws to structure leadership terms
10. Meeting adjourned