

AHC FACULTY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

February 20, 2015
Minutes of the Meeting

[In these minutes: Debrief from February 19, 2015 Third Thursday, April Third Thursday, Agenda Items for March 3 Meeting with Dr. Jackson, AHC FCC/Collegiate Chairs Lunch Meeting]

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Present: Kathleen Krichbaum, (chair), Paul Bohjanen, John Connett, Les Drewes, Robert Kratzke, Sandra Myers, Ned Patterson

Regrets: Wendy St. Peter

1. Debrief from February 19, 2015 Third Thursday: Professor Krichbaum called the meeting to order and welcomed those present. She began by asking members their thoughts about last night's Third Thursday reception. Members agreed that it was a good, informative conversation and the event was well attended. As the discussion continued, members also agreed it will be really important moving forward that the Clinical Translational Science Institute (CTSI) build relationships with the colleges and their departments because a significant number of faculty really do not understand what the CTSI does and what it can do for them. The CTSI has not been well integrated into the overall operations of the clinics, hospital and research programs, but it is clear they are working towards that end.

Professor Krichbaum asked what would happen to all the CTSI infrastructure that has been built if it is not renewed. Professor Bohjanen said that is a good question that probably should have been asked. He said he would hope if the NIH money is lost that the institution would invest in the progress that has been made in terms of the biorepository, career development programs, etc.

Communication around the CTSI has not been ideal from the start. More information sessions and discussions like the one at last night's Third Thursday need to occur in order to give faculty a better understanding about the CTSI. Based on the attendance at last night's reception, faculty are interested in what Dr. Blazar has to say. Professor Krichbaum suggested bringing this to Dr. Jackson's attention when the committee meets with him on March 3, 2015. Professor Bohjanen agreed it would be worth raising this issue with Dr. Jackson given it is absolutely essential to the institution that the CTSI be re-funded. Professor Krichbaum said part of the issue with the CTSI is that it largely feels like a Medical School entity rather than involving all the AHC schools. Professor Bohjanen said the CTSI must have a multidisciplinary/team focus. While the CTSI

leadership is not completely from the Medical School, said Professor Connett, it certainly has a Medical School focus.

On a semi-related note, mentioned Professor Bohjanen, the Medical School Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC) has been talking about the Ambulatory Care Center (ACC) and having discussions with the ACC leaders. When the FAC talks with the ACC leaders later this spring on research it plans to invite CTSI and ACC leaders to discuss how the ACC can be used to promote clinical and translational research. The issue for the Medical School FAC is the ACC has largely been planned by University of Minnesota Health (largely University of Minnesota Physicians (UMP) and Fairview Health Services) and it is all about the business model rather than an education and research model. Professor Bohjanen suggested extending the CTSI discussion with Dr. Jackson to include the ACC. The reason he feels so strongly that the issue be raised with Dr. Jackson is that the ACC is a new system for bringing in patients who will be followed over time, which will be a huge opportunity for capturing health information and the CTSI needs to be a part of it. University of Minnesota Health is supposed to involve UMP, Fairview and the University of Minnesota and so the missions of all of these groups need to be integrated into the structure.

2. **April Third Thursday:** Professor Krichbaum said the committee needs to decide on a topic and presenter for the April 16 Third Thursday reception and solicited members' ideas. She mentioned that Professor Brian Sick, team leader, AHC IHealth Interprofessional Education Program, and Professor Amy Pittenger, director, Interprofessional Education and Pharmacy Learning Collaborative, are attending the March 27 AHC FCC meeting at the recommendation of Dr. Barbara Brandt and this could also be a topic for the April Third Thursday given the emphasis on interdisciplinary education.

Professor Connett said another possible presenter would be to invite Professor Jim Neaton from the School of Public Health to talk about the Ebola vaccine trial he is leading. In addition to inviting Professor Neaton, Professor Bohjanen suggested inviting Professor Katey Pelican from the College of Veterinary Medicine who is working on the RESPOND Project to talk about global responses to epidemic events; their topics would complement each other. Professor Connett reminded members that Dr. Jackson also has a substantial track record in Uganda dealing with HIV studies. In Professor Drewes' opinion, he envisions a lot of interest in the global health topic in general and suggested asking Dr. Jackson's office to think about doing a forum on this topic on a larger scale. Professor Krichbaum said this will be discussed with Dr. Jackson at the AHC FCC March 3 meeting with him.

At the conclusion of this discussion, it was decided that Professor Connett would extend the Third Thursday invitation to Professor Neaton, and Professor Patterson would be asked to extend the invitation to Professor Pelican.

3. **Agenda items for March 3 meeting with Dr. Jackson:** Professor Krichbaum listed the items she heard members say they would like to talk about with Dr. Jackson and they include:

- Debrief on February 19 Third Thursday reception on the CTSI with Dr. Blazar and also talk about the ACC as it relates to the CTSI.
- Global health and how it fits in with Dr. Jackson's vision for the AHC.
- Technology concerns in general and specifically the State of the AHC Address.
- Update on Governor Dayton's proposed major investment in the Medical School.
- AHC-wide forum sponsored by Dr. Jackson's office on global health related topics.

Regarding the persistent technology issues, Professor Bohjanen suggested inviting the OIT representatives to attend an upcoming meeting to let members know what, if any, progress they have been made since their last visit with the committee and any other information they are interested in sharing. Renee Dempsey, Senate staff, said she was recently contacted by OIT to schedule this meeting. Professor Krichbaum asked Ms. Dempsey to try to get this scheduled for the April meeting.

4. **AHC FCC meeting with the AHC collegiate chairs:** After some discussion, it was agreed that the AHC FCC would invite the AHC collegiate chairs to meet with them on Friday, March 27 from 12:00 – 1:30 in Coffman Memorial Union. Ms. Dempsey said she would extend the invitation.

5. **Adjournment:** Hearing no further business, Professor Krichbaum adjourned the meeting.

Renee Dempsey
University Senate