

June 20, 2006, the Medical School at the University of Minnesota

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University of Minnesota Medical School Faculty Advisory Council

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The meeting of the Medical School Faculty Advisory Council (FAC) was held on Tuesday, at 4:00 p.m. in Room B646 Mayo Memorial Building. Susan Berry, Chair of the FAC, presided.

Members Present: Drs. Susan Berry, Jim Boulger (via polycom), Patricia Ferrieri, Gregory Filice, Donna Forbes (via polycom), Betsy Hirsch, Walter Low, James McCarthy, and Douglas Yee

Dean's Office Staff Present: Allison Campbell, Patricia Mulcahy, Deborah Powell, and Anne Taylor

Announcements and Update (Dean Powell)

Biomedical Facility Bill

The funding for this bill was approved and received very positive support in the legislature.

Liaison Committee for Medical Education (LCME)

A report to Dean Powell from the LCME was received today which stated that the next LCME Site Visit would not take place until 2011-2012. The LCME requested progress reports in 2008 for the Diversity Initiatives and Promotion and Tenure on the Duluth Campus.

New Department Head of Surgery

Dr. Selwyn Vickers from the University of Alabama has accepted this position and will assume this role in August. He has already hired a Director for the Division of Experimental Surgery.

Open Searches Update

- Otolaryngology Search for Department Head: The Search Committee has been charged by Dean Powell
- Cancer Center Search: This Academic Health Center search is in its final stages of negotiation

Academic Health Center Faculty Consultative Committee (AHC FCC) Nomination (Susan Berry)

It is the responsibility of the FAC to nominate one faculty member to serve on the AHC FCC. According to criteria, this nominee must have a clinical science background. Dr. Susan Berry volunteered for this position. Secondary support for the nomination was provided by Dr. Walter Low. The Council voted unanimously to endorse this nomination.

Recognition of Departing FAC Members (Susan Berry)

Dr. Berry recognized those FAC members whose senate term will expire this year. Those members are: Stephen Downing, Stephen Ekker, Patricia Ferrieri, Jon Hallberg, Marshall Hertz, Betsy Hirsch, David Ingbar, Walter Low, James McCarthy, Wesley Miller, Theodore Thompson, Douglas Yee, Felix Ankel (Regions), Elie Gertner (Regions), Gregory Filice (VAMC), Jose Pardo (VAMC), Virginia Lupo (HCMC), and Richard Gray (HCMC). Each departing member was presented with a gift and thanked for their generous service. All members who were absent will receive their gift in the mail.

FAC Vice-Chair Election (Susan Berry)

The FAC Vice-Chair serves in that capacity for one academic year, and serves as Chair of the FAC for one year, directly following their service as Vice-Chair. Dr. Steven McLoon, current Vice-Chair of the FAC will graduate to his position as Chair this fall. The election for Vice-Chair is currently underway (an electronic ballot was sent to members via email and a hard copy distributed at meeting). The candidates for 2006-2007 FAC Vice-Chair

are Dr. Carole Bland (Family Medicine and Community Health), Dr. James Carey (Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation), and Esam El-Fakahany (Psychiatry). Votes will be tallied when received and Council will be notified electronically of the outcome.

Research Initiatives (Susan Berry)

The document entitled “Reinvigorating Our Research Enterprise” was again discussed and Dean Powell expressed that it is important for Council to take on this goal next year. She would like the FAC to work collaboratively with the Medical School Research Council to take on this task. This document was written by Dr. Stephen McLoon, who will make this issue a priority for the upcoming 2006-2007 FAC year.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Staff to the FAC

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