

College of Medicine Faculty Council
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday, October 7, 2003, 5 PM, R-1-106

Officers Present: Shae G. Kosch (President), Dan Driscoll (President Elect), Michael Clare-Salzler (Past President), Mary Ann Burg (Vice President), Gregory Schultz (Secretary)

Department Representatives Present: Jorg Bungert (Biochemistry), Sue McGorray (Biostatistics), Lei Zhou (Molecular Genetics and Microbiology), Lucia Notterpek (Neuroscience), Clay Smith (Ophthalmology), Rob Averbuch (Psychiatry), Hideko Kasahara (Physiology)

Guests Present: Fonda Eyler, COM Senator

Approval of the Minutes

The motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2003, COM Faculty Council Meeting.

Announcements President Kosch

1. Dr. Winfred Phillips will attend the November 4 meeting to discuss issues related to research and graduate education for the COM and the University. Mr. Tim Goldfarb will attend the FC meeting on December 2 to discuss issues related to Shands and the COM.
2. The forum meeting with President Young and Senate President Tony Brennan on Shared Governance was discussed and Dan Driscoll indicated the draft document was on schedule for approval by the UF Senate and Board of Trustees in December.
3. Evaluation of Departmental Chairs is on schedule for this year. Eight chairs who were not evaluated previously and have served approximately 18 months will be evaluated this year, then next year, 8 of the remaining 16 Chairs (24 total departments in COM) will be evaluated and the remaining 8 Chairs the following year. This will enable Chairs to be evaluated every three years. It was recommended that Chairs do a self-evaluation to assist in the process and to compare with the perceptions of their faculty.

Discussion Topics President Kosch

1. Interaction between the Senate and the Faculty Council
The FC representatives broadly discussed how to ensure coordination between the Senate and the Faculty Council. Since the principles of Shared Governance will also apply at the level of all colleges, there will need to be close communication and cooperation between the Senate and the Faculty Council. Ideas included having the proposed 25 Senators from the COM also serve on the Faculty Council. This would enable one Senator to be elected from each department. This might require too much time commitment from many faculty members to be practical. Other suggestions included designating a Senator to be the official liaison between the Senate and the FC, having the Past President of the FC organize a monthly meeting of the Senators to discuss issues, or inviting all 25 Senators to the monthly FC meeting. The general opinion was that more input from Senators was

needed to develop a plan to integrate the actions of the FC and the Senate.
The FC Secretary will invite all 25 current Senators to the November FC meeting to further discuss options. Another problem that was identified was the 3:00 – 5:00 PM meeting time for the Senate, since some COM clinical faculty have clinical responsibilities until 5:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Schultz, Ph.D.
Secretary

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