

Minutes of the April 2008 Faculty Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 1, 2008, 5 PM
Hugh Hill Conference Room

Officers Present:

President - Rebecca Rainer Pauly
Past President - David Paulus
Secretary - Marilyn Dumont-Driscoll

President Elect - Richard E. Neiberger
Vice President - Christy Carter
Treasurer - Parker Gibbs

Department Representatives Present:

Todd Manini - Aging
Jill Herndon - Epidemiology
Frank Bova - Neurosurgery
Paul Reier - Neuroscience
Sonal Tuli - Ophthalmology
John Reith - Pathology
Tom Rowe - Pharmacology
Jatinder Palta - Radiation Oncology
David Kays - Surgery

David Quillen - CHFM
Shouguang Jin - Molecular Genetics
Leslie Gonzalez-Rothi - Neurology
Shireen Madani - OBGYN
John Harwick - Otolaryngology
Carolyn Carter - Pediatrics
Regina Bussing - Psychiatry
Patricia Mergo - Radiology

Guests:

Bruce C. Kone, M.D., Dean, College of Medicine

1. President Pauly called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 pm.
2. Announcements, Reports, and Old Business:
 - a. A motion to approve the March minutes was made and passed.
 - b. Departmental Focus:
 - [Pediatrics](#) - (link to presentation)
 - [Pharmacology](#) - (link to presentation)
 - c. Items of discussion with Dean Kone
 - 1) Dean Kone's top priority is to hire a Research Associate Dean. A national search firm will be hired. The COM has been in contact with the [Whitt/Kieffer](#) search firm.
 - 2) The COM is 35 million short in the budget, although, Higher Education currently has not been hit as hard as first thought. Health Care will be hit hard. Dean Kone believes that this will be a 3-5 year cycle.
 - 3) Things are going well with Moffitt. 7 program areas and program leaders have been identified to work with the Moffitt program leaders. These leaders have been asked to meet twice before the reverse site visits begin. Positive NCI feedback has been given.
 - 4) The Radiation Oncology Chair Search is at the mid-way point.
 - 5) The Chief Safety Officer will work hand-in-hand with [the Sebastian Ferrero Foundation](#).
 - d. Upcoming Elections - FC **President Elect** and **VP** nominations needed & **FC Representatives** -
 - Pharmacology
 - Physiology

e. Promotion & Tenure Committee - President Pauly

Half of the P&T committee members are elected and half are appointed. An announcement was sent to senior faculty who might be interested in being on this committee. Names were submitted and the list was discussed.

f. Clinical & Basic Science Award Committee(s) - President Pauly

President Pauly proposed that a more diverse representation be set for these committees. Suggestions were given and the decision was made to appoint 3 members from the Faculty Council (FC president and 2 other members) along with 2 previous winners (3 year past), 1 clinical and 1 basic. This will be incorporated into the bylaws and will become one committee.

g. Treasurer Report - Parker Gibbs

The amount for faculty dues collected as of today is \$2,450. The deadline given for dues is past but will be extended out until April 15th.

h. Bylaws Writing Group - President Pauly

President Pauly asked the FC reps to consider being on this committee. Dr. Neiberger has pulled bylaws from other institutions to use as reference.

i. Chair Evaluations - President Pauly

Evaluations are currently ongoing for Pathology and Radiology. A reminder was sent out to the faculty members in these departments along with a one week extension. 75% have completed the evaluation process.

j. Travel & Leave Policy - President Pauly

The dean would like the Faculty Council to review this policy; which is currently being written by several administrators. The goal is to have a consistent policy throughout the college. Once available, the draft will be sent to the FC reps for review.

3. New Business:

No new business discussed.

4. Notices/Updates:

[COM Research Day 2008](#) (link to flyer)

5. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45 pm.

The next Faculty Council meeting will be held Tuesday, May 6, 2008 @ 5PM in the Hugh Hill Conference Room

Minutes recorded by Rachel L. Dotson, Office Assistant.