

Minutes of the January 2009 Faculty Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 6, 2009, 5 PM
Hugh Hill Conference Room

Officers Present:

President - Richard Neiberger
Vice President - Regina Bussing
Secretary - Marilyn Dumont-Driscoll

President Elect - David Kays
Past President - Rebecca Rainer Pauly
Treasurer - Parker Gibbs

Department Representatives Present:

David Quillen - CHFM
Jill Herndon - Epidemiology
Jean Cibula (proxy) - Neurology
Sonal Tuli - Ophthalmology
Carolyn Carter - Pediatrics
Jatinder Palta - Radiation Oncology

Jennifer Light - Emergency Medicine
Frank Bova - Neurosurgery
Steven Blackband - Neuroscience
John Harwick - Otolaryngology
Tom Rowe - Pharmacology
Juan Cendan - Surgery

Guests:

Robert J. Amdur, M.D., Interim Chair, COM - Department of Radiation Oncology

1. President Neiberger called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 pm.

2. Announcements, Reports, and Old Business:

a. Approval of the December minutes - President Neiberger

Motion for approval was made and seconded.

b. Treasurer's Report - Dr. Gibbs

Next week an email will be sent to all COM (Gainesville) Faculty regarding this year's FC dues; dues are \$25. Faculty should give dues to their FC Departmental Representative who will then deliver them to either Dr. Gibbs or Sharon Milton-Simmons. Please pay by check, if possible, made payable to: COM Faculty Council.

c. Vice-President's Research Day Report - Dr. Bussing

Research Day is scheduled for April 28-29, 2009. All speakers are confirmed – Wednesday morning: [Yoshihiro Kawaoka, PhD](#) and Wednesday evening: [Darrell A. "Skip" Campbell, Jr., MD](#)

The website for abstract submission opened January 5, 2009 and will remain accessible through the beginning of February or until 190 abstracts have been submitted, whichever comes first. Currently the site is receiving 5-10 abstracts daily. Please inform faculty that to enhance the acceptance of their abstracts, they should submit them ASAP.

Submissions for the Clinical and Basic Science Awards are requested. Submission dateline is January 30th, 2009. Lifetime Achievement Award nominees should be submitted to the FC at this time.

d. FC Representative Election - Dr. Neiberger

The following departments are due to elect/re-elect a FC Representative:

Biochemistry	Epidemiology	Medicine
Neurology	OB/GYN	Orthopaedics
Radiation Oncology	Radiology	Urology

e. Mentoring Committee Report - Dr. Dumont-Driscoll

Dr. Dumont-Driscoll has reviewed the online AAMC Faculty Forward program described at the last meeting by Dean Good (with UF having joined as a Founding Partner). The AAMC FF program has an online survey whose content can be customized for needs assessment and covers many aspects of faculty life. Plans are to use this instrument (with appropriate changes) rather than design a new instrument.

Dr. Hardt has met with the COM departmental chairs and discussed the concept of an Office of Faculty Affairs. The FC consensus was that it would be beneficial to invite her to present this information at a future meeting.

Dr. Dumont-Driscoll also met with Dr. Gwen Lombard who was recruited to develop faculty development initiatives for the Department of Neurosurgery. Given her background in medical education, the FC indicated an interest in extending an invitation to her regarding view of FD needs and resources at a future meeting.

f. Bylaws Discussion - Dr. Neiberger

Bylaws Discussion: A draft of the bylaws was previously distributed by email to the FC. Several items were discussed at length with plans for further revisions. A new draft will be emailed to the FC once these have been completed.

3. New Business:

There was no new business discussed.

4. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:40 pm.

The next Faculty Council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 3, 2009 @ 5PM in the Hugh Hill Conference Room

*Minutes recorded by Rachel L. Dotson, Office Assistant.
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