

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FACULTY SENATE

January 12, 2017

Present: Drs. Aaron, Badr, Ellis, Finley, Fridman, Kim, Lerner, Levine, Meert, O'Leary, Rowley, and Thomas

Absent: Drs. Puscheck, Shisheva, Sood, Vaishampayan, and Wozniak

Also Present: Dr. V. Delaney-Black, N. McIntyre, C. Brain, R. Cooper, and J. Beaudette

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Dr. Meert at 3:05 p.m.

1. Approval of the Minutes of December 8, 2016: The minutes of the last meeting were approved as revised.

2. Personnel Actions:

The proposed appointment of Javier Diaz-Mendoza, M.D. as Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine (Clinical Educator) FTA was approved.

The proposed appointment of Louna El-Zein, M.D. as Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine (Clinical Educator) FTA was approved.

The proposed appointment of Basim Dubaybo, M.D. as Professor Emeritus of Internal Medicine was approved.

The proposed appointment of Ajibola Akingba, M.D. as Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery was approved.

The proposed appointment of William Peruzzi M.D. as Clinical Professor of Anesthesiology was approved.

3. Report from Dean Jack Sobel:

a. Pediatrics: Dr. Sobel reviewed the tripartite leadership of the Department of Pediatrics (WSU SOM Chair, President of University Pediatricians, and DMC Pediatrician-in-Chief) and the desirability of having a single individual in all three roles.

b. Internal Medicine: Dr. Basim Dubaybo, current Interim Chair of Internal Medicine, is retiring from the University at the end of January, and Dr. Sobel expects to name a successor (Interim Chair or Chair).

c. Position of Dean of the School of Medicine: Dr. Sobel has a contract as Dean for 17 more months. He expects that a search for a successor Dean would begin around August, 2017. A major financial package would be needed.

d. Detroit Medical Center: Collaboration between the School of Medicine and the Detroit Medical Center in an academic medical center seems unrealistic, since the two cultures are so different and there is inadequate financial support from the medical center in such a collaboration. Other academic medical center partners are being considered. Dr. Sobel stated that the SOM will continue to have a presence at the DMC, but the specifics will depend on the various medical specialties. For instance, the home of the SOM Department of Pediatrics in the Children's Hospital of Michigan is unique and essential.

e. LCME visit: Great attention is being paid to the upcoming LCME visit and re-evaluation.

4. Office of Faculty Affairs (Dr. Delaney-Black):

a. The Policy for the Review Process of Endowed Chairs and Professors as revised was presented, reviewed, and approved.

b. The Policy for Appointments of Joint and Secondary Faculty as revised was presented, reviewed, and approved.

c. Only two potential mentees have applied to participate in the Speed Mentoring Program scheduled for January 26 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm.

5. Old Business:

Revision of SOM Factors and Guidelines for Promotion and Tenure: The Executive Committee Subcommittee for Review and Revision of the SOM Factors and Guidelines for Promotion and Tenure (Drs. Lerner, Meert, Shisheva, and Wozniak) will be scheduled to meet to begin its work soon.

6. Visit of Dr. David Kessel:

Dr. Kessel, Professor of Physiology, reported on his experience as a member of the Policy Committee of the WSU Academic Senate. The members of this Committee are elected by and from the WSU Academic Senate. It meets weekly, is chaired by the Provost, and often interacts with the President and other senior officials of the University. It is essential that the SOM be represented in this important Committee. In the past we have generally had two SOM faculty members in the Committee, and sometimes three, but Dr. Kessel is currently the sole SOM faculty member in the Committee. He urged consideration of possible candidates for election to the Policy Committee when compiling the roster of candidates for the WSU Academic Senate.

7. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen A. Lerner, M.D., Secretary, Executive Committee of the SOM Faculty Senate