

## MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FACULTY SENATE

**Date:** September 11, 2014

**Present:** Drs. Aaron, Ellis, Finley, Heath, Kapatos, Lerner, Levine, Meert, Rossi, Shisheva, Thomas, Uberti, and Vaishampayan,

**Absent:** Drs. Fridman, Monsell, Sheng, and Welch

**Also Present:** Dean Parisi, Dean Delaney-Black, Dr. L. Roth, Ms. Mary Uryga, and Ms. Jean Dismuke

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Dr. Meert at 3:07 p.m.
2. **Approval of the Minutes of August 14, 2014:** The minutes of the last meeting were approved.
3. **Dean's Report:**
  - a. Dean Parisi brought us up to date on the relationship among KCI/MacLaren/WSU School of Medicine, which will soon come to fruition.
  - b. Dean Parisi discussed our SOM Committee on Diversity and the plan to develop a new WSU Cabinet-level position. The SOM will recruit an Associate Dean for Diversity who will report to the Dean, with a "dotted line" relationship to the University official. She stated that our Diversity Dean will seek diversity among students, and also Faculty and staff.
  - c. President Wilson and VPR Lanier are supportive, in principle, of refurbishment of Scott Hall.
  - d. There has been a consistent divestment by the University. It is difficult to grow research without investment. Dean Parisi reminded us that when we have invested money in research, it has paid off. We have to relinquish salary money when our faculty members leave the University. This results in loss of the budget line, which goes into the University treasury.
  - e. Dr. Shisheva asked whether we might invite a Governor from the WSU Board of Governors to the Executive Committee. Dean Parisi will think about it and will consult President Wilson.
  - f. Dean Parisi was asked what would happen to our students who go now to Oakwood, given the BOB (Beaumont/Oakwood/Botsford) merger. She plans to meet with the new CEO of the complex when he/she is named. We have a 10-year rolling horizon for placing our students at Oakwood, but we shall see what happens. For departments and their residents, there are possibilities for repatriation to the DMC.
4. **President-Elect Meert's Report:**
  - a. Since the SOM Graduate Student Research Day is scheduled for Thursday, September 18, it conflicts with the SOM Faculty Senate Meeting that we have scheduled for that afternoon. After thorough discussion, it was voted to postpone the SOM Faculty Senate Meeting to Thursday, November 20, 2014 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm.

- b. The SOM P&T Meeting will take place all day on October 23, 2014. .
- c. The Reconsiderations of SOM P&T decisions will take place at the EC Meeting on December 11, 2014.
- d. Dr. Sheng reported that the SOM EC website has been updated, and Ms. Mary Uryga projected it for brief review.
- e. For posting of EC Minutes on the EC website, Dr. Lerner will review EC minutes back to July, 2013 and will redact those that have not yet been redacted, and they will then be posted.

**5. Personnel Appointments:**

The proposed appointment of Asfar Asmi, M.D. as Assistant Professor of Oncology (Research) was approved.

The proposed appointment of Lakshmi Shankar, M.D. as Assistant Professor of Neurology (Clinician-Educator) was approved.

The proposed appointment of Jena Steinle, Ph.D. as Professor with Tenure in the Departments of Anatomy and Cell Biology and of Ophthalmology was approved.

The proposed appointment of Paul Dougherty, M.D. as Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery (Clinician-Educator) FTA was approved.

The proposed appointment of Daisuke Kobayashi, M.D. as Assistant Professor of Pediatrics (Clinician-Educator) FTA was approved.

The proposed appointment of Preeti Ramappa, M.D. as Assistant Professor (Clinician-Educator) FTA was approved.

**6. New Business:**

- a. WSU Vice President for Research Stephen Lanier reviewed his background, his exploration of the University, including the School of Medicine, since arriving here, and his visions for research development at WSU, including key objectives for research growth going forward. He took numerous questions from the EC members, including problems that obstruct clinical research in the DMC.
- b. It was decided to change the requirement for a Michigan medical license for appointment as Clinical Faculty at the Veterans Administration Hospital to any valid medical license, since physicians at the VA, a federal facility, need only a license from any state in the US.

**7. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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