MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FACULTY SENATE

March 26, 2015

Present: Drs. Ellis, Finley, Heath, Lerner, Levine, Meert, Monsell, Rossi, Sheng, Thomas, Uberti, and Welch

Absent: Drs. Aaron, Fridman, Kapatos, Shisheva, and Vaishampayan

Also Present: Associate Dean Delaney-Black, Ms. Mary Uryga, and Dr. Roth

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Dr. Sheng at 3:08 p.m.

2. Approval of the Minutes of March 12, 2015: The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

3. President's Report:
   
a. Dr. Sheng reported that she had been told by Dr. J. Artiss that Dr. R.N. Frank had resigned from the Academic Senate Policy Committee, so we should consider a possible replacement from the SOM members of the Academic Senate.

b. Clinical research in the DMC: Dr. Sheng reported that a SOM Research document stated that negotiations between WSU and the DMC are under way. Drs. Ellis and Levine reported that unfunded research carried out by a resident previously was not charged by Tenet because of waivers, but now a charge of $1500 will be assessed for each resident who carries out research. Dr. Rossi pointed out that DMC residents working with WSU faculty have to carry out research in their training program, so the DMC thus should not charge for their DMC residents to carry out research.

4. Personnel Appointments:

   The proposed appointment of Matthew Griffin, M.D. as Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine (Clinician-Educator) was denied. It was recommended that the department request appointment as Assistant Professor (Clinician-Educator).

   The proposed appointment of David Bryant, M.D. as Assistant Professor of OB/GYN (Clinician-Educator) FTA was proved.

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

   The proposed appointment of Sun Kwon Kim, M.D. as Assistant Professor of OB/GYN (Clinician-Educator) FTA was approved.

   The proposed appointment of Ismail Mert, M.D. as Assistant Professor of OB/GYN (Clinician-Educator) FTA was approved.

   The proposed appointment of Frederico Rocha, M.D. as Assistant Professor of OB/GYN (Clinician-Educator) FTA was approved.

   The proposed appointment of Rehab Shabana, M.D. as Assistant Professor of OB/GYN (Clinician-Educator) FTA was approved.
The proposed appointment of Stephen Bradley, M.D. as Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery was approved.

The proposed appointment of Walter Boron, M.D. as Adjunct Professor of Physiology was approved.

6. New Business:

WSU Vice President for Research Lanier met with the Executive Committee for his second visit since his arrival at the University.

a. IT infrastructure issues: Erwin Rauschendorfer and Ken Lee came to a Main Campus meeting on IT issues. There were discussions about the possibility of incorporating the SOM system in a WSU Office 365 system, which is more robust. He would like to incorporate the DMC and KCI also. Dr. Rossi pointed out that VA/WSU faculty also use med.wayne.edu.

b. He reported on a meeting that arose out of concern that NIH reimbursement of salary on grants is currently based only on the WSU portion of total salary. Ken Lee stated that there is a possible mechanism to accomplish the goal. Salary could be moved from UPG to WSU for the application, and then back to UPG if the grant is not funded, or at the end of the grant funding. Apparently, consideration of this mechanism is under way.

c. Problems with the DMC in the setting up and execution of clinical trials: Dr. Lanier became involved in the Research Services Agreement. It should have been ready in September, but Tenet raised additional concerns. Delays arose in part because some key staff left, but also because of Tenet’s concerns. Dr. Lanier wants to coordinate IRB, Tenet, and SPA (WSU). Negotiation for the Research Services Agreement is now generally complete. He offered to monitor progress and any problems as new studies are submitted. For multicenter trials, there is discordance between WSU and all other centers because of the need to wait for Tenet approval.

d. Dr. Lanier asked about OnCore. KCI uses it for clinical studies, but the SOM doesn’t. Dr. Ellis explained that OnCore doesn’t serve behavioral studies well. Dr. Welch reported that he is participating in a network based at the Medical University of South Carolina that is superlative, so he would not wish to utilize OnCore.

e. Dr. Lanier raised the possibility of considering an off-site IRB (e.g., Western IRB) for some types of studies. Dr. Meert brought up the requirement for studies conducted at the DMC to undergo review by the DMC Research Review Committee which is a slow process and presently prevents any saving in time afforded by using a central IRB for multicenter studies.

f. Dr. Lanier stated that he is accustomed to counting the full allocation from a pharmaceutical company up-front, rather than just counting when the money is paid per patient.

Drs. Finley and Meert reported on a meeting of the WSU Academic Senate Research Committee that they attended: They stated that it was primarily a complaint session with no decisions or action.

7. Old Business:
a. Dr. Shisheva, Treasurer of the Faculty Senate, was absent but submitted a report in writing on the settlement of the location of the Treasury and associated costs: “As of March 14, we have a new checking account with Bank of America - Business Fundamental Chk to replace the one opened in ~1993 or earlier with LaSalle Bank. The leftover checks and ticket booklets are not valid anymore. This change was done to terminate the monthly fees equal to $27/month. We are still fighting with BOA about the fees for February. The new account does not have fees if kept above $3000. If we go below this amount there would be $14/month fees. The title of this account is: Wayne State University School of Medicine, Faculty Senate, 540 E. Canfield, Assia Shisheva. The next Treasurer has to go to Bank of America and based on the minutes and his/her title (BOA will see this on our new roster), could transfer the account to his/her name. For the time being, I ordered a check book (120 checks) and a booklet with deposit slips (sufficient for several years) for a total of ~$30.”

b. Dr. Delaney-Black reported that she had met with Nicole Mascia of UPG and requested notification of appointments of UPG faculty. Pathology is considering conversion of their FTA faculty to WSU payroll, at least in part.

8. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

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