

# MINUTES OF THE WSU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FACULTY SENATE

May 15, 2014

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Dr. Sheng at 3:37 p.m.
2. **Dean's Report (delivered by Vice Dean of Education Schenk):**
  - a. Leadership Transitions
    - i. Stephen M. Lanier, Ph.D., WSU Vice President for Research
    - ii. Charles W. Johnson, Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs and President of the WSU Foundation
    - iii. Tsveti Markova, M.D., Interim Chair of the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences, and Vice Dean of Graduate Medical Education
  - b. The Annual Promotion and Tenure Process has been concluded at the University. There will be a Reception for promoted and tenured SOM faculty on May 22, 2014 from 12:30 to 2:00 pm.
  - c. Professor of Surgery Anna Ledgerwood, M.D. is the President-Elect of the American Surgical Association, and is the first woman in that position. She will thus oversee both the educational and scientific aspects of the Association.
  - d. Jonathan Wong, MS3 has received the Outstanding Community Impact Award of the Michigan Campus Compact for his accomplishment in founding Street Medicine Detroit.
  - e. Student Resident Match Day took place on March 21, 2014. Ninety-five percent of the students were matched to a residency, and the SOM GME programs were 100% filled.
  - f. The SOM Commencement will take place on May 19, 2014.
  - g. Undergraduate Medical Education
    - i. Academic Success Program
      - a. Early Alert Program identifies students who are performing below expectations and provides for intervention
      - b. A Study Skills Program involves a learning specialist
      - c. An Instructional Leader Program trains students
      - d. Step 1 Summer Prep Program
      - e. Step 2 practice exams and tutoring
      - f. A Modified Program allows students to take Year I over two years
    - ii. LCME Review preparations were reviewed with a timeline for the various aspects
  - h. Research Update
    - i. The Battelle Consulting Report has been delivered to President Wilson
    - ii. The Clinical and Translational Science Consulting Report is due at the end of May
    - iii. The MBRB is expected to be completed in early 2015

iv. Unified School of Medicine Strategic Planning: Try to submit by Fall, 2014, and then the University process will begin

v. Capital Campaigns: University and School of Medicine

vi. School of Medicine Golden Gala will take place in October, 2014

**3. Faculty Senate President's Report:**

a. Dr. Sheng introduced Professor Kathleen Meert as the President-Elect of the School of Medicine Faculty Senate

b. Dr. Sheng mentioned again the upcoming celebration for the Promotion and Tenure recipients

c. Professor Louis Romano, President of the WSU Academic Senate, visited the SOM Executive Committee for a conversation. He has very different perspectives of the School of Medicine from the faculty in the SOM Executive Committee. The problems with the maintenance of Scott Hall surprised Professor Romano.

d. President Wilson has been invited to meet with the Executive Committee to discuss, among other issues: the new Vice President for Research, the Battelle Report on Research, the Clinical Translational Research Consultant Report, the University Strategic Planning Process (the Steering Committee includes Professors Sheng and Romano as representatives of the faculty, and there are also some other advisors), SOM building maintenance, and budget reductions.

**4. School of Medicine Admissions Committee (Assistant Dean Silas Norman):**

a. The entering class of 290 was selected from among 4952 applicants

b. He presented statistics on the applicants and matriculants

c. He thanked the members of the hard-working Admissions Committee

**5. Old Business:**

a. Faculty Senate Website: Ms. Mary Uryga reviewed the website under construction and its prospects

b. Dr. Lerner reviewed the nominees for the Executive Committee the Academic Senate who will be submitted to the SOM faculty for electronic voting

c. Faculty Senate dues were discussed. In the past, voluntary dues of \$10 were solicited annually. The money was generally used for condolence flowers to faculty members who lost a close family member or to the family of a faculty member who had died. The Executive Committee decided instead to provide from the SOM Faculty Senate Treasury gift cards as recognition from the faculty for College Teaching Awardees, since the School no longer provides a monetary award.

**9. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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