

MINUTES OF THE WSU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FACULTY SENATE

November 20, 2014

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Dr. Sheng at 3:34 p.m.

2. **Dean's Report:**

- a. Today was the last meeting of Dean Parisi with the President and his Cabinet.
- b. Dean Parisi reviewed SOM achievements
 - i. Programs for Academic Success of the Medical Students: Significant rise in match rate of graduating medical students.
 - ii. Medical student debt: The level has been stabilized (at a high level), while the student debt at other medical schools has continued to rise.
 - iii. The WSU School of Medicine was one of three finalists for the national AAMC Spencer Foreman Award for the record of sustained student involvement in the community. There is a plan to reapply in two years.
 - iv. Discussion of the importance of Affiliate Partners: DMC, VA, Henry Ford, Oakwood, St. John/Providence, St. Joseph Mercy Oakland, St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor, Crittenden.
 - v. Development: The Illitch gift of 8.5 M (7.0 M to the Surgery Department and 1.5 M for the Chair on Innovation).
 - vi. Research: The building of the iBio Building (Integrative Biosciences Center), which will be completed by May 21, 2015.
- c. Dean Parisi discussed some challenges
 - i. Budget
 - a. The SOM received a budget cut of \$1,127,406 for 2015.
 - b. To transfer funds to the University, we are down to having to give up tenure lines.
 - c. General Funds: In 2014 the SOM received 47.4 M from the University, whereas the University received 180 M. This does not include Human Resources transfer.
 - d. Lack of funds hampers recruitment of research faculty (tenure lines and startup funds).
 - e. Master Facility Plan: Scott Hall and even Mazurek need renovation.
- d. Dr. Shisheva asked about iBio
 - i. The name was considered superior for fundraising.
 - ii. It is a University building, and the University will pay the debt service. VPR Lanier will decide who will work there.

3. **SOM Leadership Transition:**

- a. Dr. Parisi introduced Jack Sobel, M.D., Chair of Internal Medicine in the new Interim Dean.
- b. Dr. Sobel spoke generally about his intention to be an activist Interim Dean, but that he would also continue with some of his clinical and academic work

4. **School of Medicine LCME Self-Study and Plans for the LCME Visit in March, 2015**

- a. Assistant Dean Patrick Bridge introduced Ms. Frank, who had been brought to the SOM at the beginning of preparations as the chief advisor on LCME

- 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. The subject of Faculty Senate dues were discussed regarding voluntary dues of \$10 was solicited annually.

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