Executive Leadership Committee
Wednesday, January 7, 2015, 3:00 pm
HPNP Room 4102
Summary

Present: Dr. M. Perri, Dr. A. Hall, Ms. A. Burne, Dr. L. Cottler, Dr. S. Hanson, Dr. D. Janicke, Dr. C. Le Prell, Dr. C. Mainous, Dr. W. Mann, Dr. J. Pomeranz (for Dr. A. Blue), Dr. P. Qiu, Dr. T. Sabo-Attwood, Dr. K. Vandenborne, and Ms. B. Dermott

1. Action Points follow up:
   a. Promotion and tenure – Dr. Perri reported that the faculty vote to ratify the revisions resulted in 53 votes, with 48 “yes” votes yielding a greater than 90% favorable rate. Next, Dr. Perri will request that the provost’s office put the revised guidelines on the agenda for the Faculty Senate meeting.
   b. Service strategic planning retreat – This will take place on February 3, 4:00-7:00 in the CTRB. AP: Chairs should inform Brigit of any additional invitees.
   c. Scholarship accounts review – Dr. Hanson reminded chairs that the deadline to complete these forms has passed.
   d. Dr. Petersen visit – Brigit Dermott provided the proposed agenda for Dr. Petersen’s visit, which will include a lunch and a working group meeting.

2. HSC strategic planning goals– Dr. Perri led a discussion of areas in which PHHP can contribute to the overall goals of the HSC’s patient care mission.
   a. Achieve a five-star rating: Dr. Mainous suggested that HSRMP can provide consulting services to the clinical enterprise. Dr. Sabo-Attwood suggested that a project related to pathogen surveillance could make a valuable contribution in this area.
   b. Destination medicine: It was noted that PHHP clinicians provide specialties and services that are unique in the state or region. It was proposed that more could be done to publicize these clinical services.
   c. Continuum of care: Dr. Cottler proposed that community healthcare workers can contribute to efforts to lower the readmission rate and improve continuum of care. Rehabilitation is another important area in which PHHP departments (particularly OT, PT and SLHS) can contribute.
   d. Community health: It was suggested that an expansion of the flu mist program to surrounding counties could contribute to reducing indigent care rates.
AP: Chairs should send information (topic and three-four bullet points) to Dr. Perri by Friday, January 16.

3. Research update – Dr. Cottler reported that nominations for the College’s UFRF professorship (PHHP has been allotted one position) are due to the dean’s office Monday, March 2. Details were provided in an email to the chairs from Dr. Cottler. Dr. Cottler also urged chairs to encourage their faculty to apply for FEOs and the Opportunity Fund. Dr. Perri noted that these grants can be included in faculty members’ P&T packets. Dr. Hall, who serves on the university FEO committee, offered to advise faculty members interested in applying. Finally, Dr. Cottler noted that the research core is working on the annual report and handbook.

4. Administrative update – Dr. Perri reported that Dr. Okunieff will step down as director as of the Cancer Center. Nominations are being sought for a new director as well as for cancer preeminence candidates. Dr. Perri reported that 22 faculty members have been hired by the HSC under the preeminence initiative and several others have letters of offer. Dr. Perri reported that Dr. Guzick will be meeting with Dr. Fuchs to discuss priorities including preeminence, RCM and the CFO search.

5. Announcements – All
   a. Dr. Vandenborne announced that Bill McGehee finished his PhD. PT will be hosting two preeminence candidates in muscle biology.
   b. Dr. Janicke announced that Dr. Cynthia Johnson started on Monday.
   c. Dr. Qiu announced that offer letters have been sent to two preeminence candidates.
   d. Dr. Le Prell announced that SLHS has two upcoming candidate visits one preeminence and one chair candidate.
   e. Dr. Hall announced that Faculty Council will meet on Monday, January 12, and begin work on the College bylaws.
   f. Dr. Sabo-Attwood announced that Dr. Andy Kane was awarded a contract from Florida Wildlife. PhD student Cuc Tran’s paper documenting that the school flu mist program provided protection to the population at large was published in PLOS One. Dr. Sabo-Attwood’s group’s published a paper about the link between exposure to nanomaterials and predisposition to infectious disease.
   g. Dr. Hanson announced that 6 PHHP departments were below the 90% compliance threshold with respect to participation in the textbook adoption system. Dr. Hanson noted that the system allows users to enter a text permanently, so there is no need to enter each semester. AP: Chairs are asked to login to textadoption.ufl.edu to determine compliance and address any issues prior to the deadline.
   h. Dr. Hanson announced that the Dean of Students office has been working to set up a food pantry for people on campus who are food insecure and a lending closet for professional attire.
   i. Dr. Cottler announced that Dr. Mattia Prosperi started.