Executive Leadership Committee
Wednesday, December 10, 2014, 3:00 pm
HPNP Room 4102
Summary

Present: Dr. M. Perri, Dr. T. Barnett (for Dr. A. Hall), Dr. A. Blue, Ms. A. Burne, Dr. L. Cottler, Dr. J. Foss (for Dr. W. Mann), Dr. S. Hanson, Dr. D. Janicke, Dr. C. Le Prell, Dr. S. McGorray (for Dr. P. Qiu), Dr. C. Mainous, 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 revised P&T guidelines were sent to the faculty for a vote. If the guidelines are ratified, they will be brought before the UF Faculty Senate. The revised guidelines will first be presented as an item on the agenda, and will be put to a vote at a subsequent meeting. Dr. Perri agreed to present the revised guidelines at the Faculty Senate meeting.
   b. Strategic planning – Dr. Hanson reported that a survey was sent out to the faculty to gather feedback related to support for the impact goals and long-term objectives. Dr. Hanson asked the chairs to encourage faculty to participate. Dr. Hanson noted that, in a parallel process, departments will be conducting SWOT analyses of their academic programs. The aim is to incorporate the outcomes of these analyses into the design and implementation of the college’s strategic goals. Also to be completed is strategic planning related to service. Ideally, this will take place in late January or early February. Dr. Perri noted that President Fuchs will also be conducting university-wide strategic planning in May and June. Dr. Hanson suggested that chairs get a good handle on data for their academic programs in anticipation of requests related to the university strategic planning process.
   c. Scholarship accounts review – Dr. Hanson reported that all staff should have received a list of department scholarship accounts. Staff has been asked to review these lists to ensure that criteria are in line with donors’ wishes and to complete the provided form. AP: Those departments that have not completed the forms should do so in the next week.
2. Dr. Donna Petersen, PHHP Distinguished Scholar – Dr. Perri announced that Dr. Donna Petersen will visit campus on February 4 to give a lecture entitled “Framing the Future of Public Health.” Dr. Perri suggested that Dr. Petersen’s itinerary might include a lunch with the PH department chairs and concentration directors, followed by a larger working group meeting prior to her talk. The talk will be followed by a reception, if Dr. Petersen’s schedule can accommodate. **AP: Begin work on an itinerary for Dr. Petersen’s visit. Brigit is point person for coordinating the itinerary.**

3. Research update – Dr. Cottler reminded the group that the new NIH biosketch format will be implemented in January. The new format focuses on outcomes and impact in the field. Dr. Cottler also reminded the group to remain aware of the cancer initiative. Dr. Cottler reported that APHA/ASPPH ombudsman provided a report related to 2015 changes in federal funding. Dr. Cottler noted that it is important to pay attention to this information in order to prepare for changes in funding and to identify new opportunities. Finally, Dr. Cottler asked chairs to encourage their faculty to attend the grants design studio. She noted that no faculty members have taken advantage of opportunity to have their grant reviewed.

4. Administrative update – Dr. Perri reported that space in the Ayers building will be leased at cost (approximately $7-10/sq. foot). Tenants must sign a lease and move in by January 1. Dr. Perri next discussed the transition plan for the new president. Dr. Win Phillips will be senior advisor to President Fuchs during the transition. The transition will be organized in four stages. 1) critical items to be decided 2) important items to be decided 3) items to consider and 4) strategic planning. Dr. Guzick would like to present a coordinated response from the HSC and suggested that opportunities related to preeminence should be addressed in phase 1 and the philosophy used to guide preeminence should be addressed in phase 2. It was also suggested that examining RCM should be a long-term item for consideration. Finally, it was suggested that the purpose and mission of the Graduate School could be reevaluated in terms of support of the research mission. Some other items included: public/private partnerships for the university, legislative priorities, and Gator care.

5. Announcements – All

   a. Dr. Janicke announced that grad student intern interviews will take place next month.
   b. Dr. Le Prell announced that SLAH had extern interviews yesterday.
   c. Dr. Foss announced that 43 OT students are graduating and the job placement rate is very good.
   d. Dr. Mainous announced that HSRMP has two candidates visiting this week.
   e. Dr. McGorray announced that Biostats has two candidates visiting this week.
   f. Dr. Cottler announced the Epi is close to launching a cohort health study in Haiti, with 2,000 patients in urban and rural settings.