Executive Leadership Committee  
Wednesday, December 18, 2013, 3:00 pm  
HPNP Room 4102  
Summary

Present: Dr. M. Perri, Dr. A. Blue, Ms. A. Burne, Dr. T. Burnett (for Dr. R. Cook), Dr. B. Curbow, Dr. J. Foss (for Dr. W. Mann), Dr. G. Gray, Dr. S. Griffiths, Dr. S. Hanson, Dr. W. Latimer, Dr. A. Mainous, Dr. M. Peoples-Sheps, Dr. P. Qiu, Dr. K. Vandenborne, Dr. X. Xu (for Dr. L. Cottler), Mr. G. Gowan and Ms. B. Dermott

1. CEPH update – Dr. Peoples-Sheps provided a list of people who have not responded to request for participation in the CEPH site visit. **AP: Chairs requested to follow up and communicate with Dr. Peoples-Sheps.**

2. Media relations update – Brigit Dermott provided an update on behalf of Jill Pease. Two press releases went out last week: one on Dr. Cate Price’s new grant to conduct neuroimaging studies with patients with Parkinson’s and another on Dr. Linda Cottler’s study of police sexual misconduct. Dr. John Lednicky did an interview with WUFT on a mold issue in Bradford County schools. Dr. David Janicke was interviewed by Reuters Health on parent programs to treat child obesity and by TV 20 on his family mealtime study (scheduled to air December 19). Dr. Cate Price did an interview with GTN TV regarding her new Parkinson’s grant. Brittany Lane and Katie Gray SLHS students were featured in the Gainesville Sun in a story on a family that has donated items for children receiving cochlear implant.

3. IT update – Geof Gowan reported that the count of machines running XP is under 300 and all conversions will be completed by April.

4. Blended Learning Taskforce update – Dr. Perri reported that the group has been making steady progress and a current priority is identifying new courses to move into a blended format. The taskforce is interested in identifying volunteers, and especially coordinating with new faculty to set up new courses in a blended format. **AP: Chairs are asked to put new faculty and faculty building new courses in touch with Dr. Hanson with the aim of identifying blended courses for the fall by mid-February.** The taskforce will extend an invitation to faculty to come to the taskforce meeting once a month for a general presentation and open discussion. The taskforce has also proposed setting up mentors to assist faculty with moving to a blended model. The question of the impact on student evaluations was discussed and it was suggested that a move to teaching portfolios that are not wholly reliant
on student evaluations would provide a more holistic approach to evaluating teaching performance (particularly with reference to tenure and promotion).

5. **Outstanding Young Alumni Awards** – Dr. Perri announced that nominations for UF Outstanding Young Alumni are due January 15. The college can select one or two alumni to participate. Dr. Perri noted that nominees need to have been selected as the PHHP Outstanding Alumni (either this year or in a previous year) at the department level. **AP: All names are due by January 8.**

6. **Administrative update** – Dr. Perri reported that President Machen is looking at the progress of preeminence search committees as the legislature will want to see progress with hires. Dr. Perri solicited updates from the committees with PHHP involvement:
   - Neuroscience and Brain: 30 nominations, 15 invited, 6 have been to campus with several more coming in January.
   - One Health: 10 applications, 4 that might be invited.
   - Informatics: two nominations put forward.
   - Optimizing Early Childhood Education: 30 potential candidates have been identified through reporter search. **AP: Dr. Latimer will talk to Dr. Janicke regarding urgency.**
   - Metabolomics: two candidates have been identified
   - Food Safety: have ad out and have received some CVs. **AP: Dr. Perri will touch base with Dr. Glenn Morris**

7. **Announcements – All**
   - Dr. Latimer – an offer letter was sent to a candidate yesterday. Dr. Adam Brickman’s visit was well received. Dr. Latimer has been tentatively invited to be commencement speaker at University of Pretoria for 2014.
   - Dr. Mainous: Dr. Hall and Dr. Harman received a PCORI grant. Department interviewed one candidate in December and has another coming in early January.
   - Dr. Qiu: Biostat is hosting a symposium in early February
   - Dr. Gray: UF has been designated a One Health center of excellence. Twenty centers to sign agreements to help with one health education.
   - Dr. Barnett: faculty survey email went out.
   - Dr. Hanson—College has not received any nominations for doctoral mentoring award, and deadline is coming up fast. **AP: Dr. Hanson sent out list along with faculty members who qualify (based on number of students mentored). Nominations are needed by Monday at the latest.**