College of Public Health and Health Professions
Executive Leadership Committee
Wednesday, April 17, 2013, 3:00 pm
HPNP Room 4102
Summary

Present: Dr. M. Perri, Dr. D. Bowers, Ms. A. Burne, Dr. L. Cottler, Dr. J. Foss, Dr. L. Gonzalez Rothi, Dr. G. Gray, Dr. A. Hall (for Dr. P. Duncan), Dr. S. Hanson, Dr. W. Latimer, Dr. C. Le Prell (for Dr. C. Sapienza), Dr. W. Mann, Dr. D. Martin (for Dr. K. Vandenborne), Dr. M. Moorhouse (for Dr. B. Curbow), Dr. M. Peoples-Sheps, Ms. M. Emmerson, Mr. G. Gowan, Ms. J. Pease, and Ms. B. Dermott

1. Convocation – Dr. Hanson confirmed department presenters with CHP, PT, and BSCH. Dr. Peoples-Sheps confirmed that plans for guest speaker Dr. Deborah Parham-Hobson are on track. Marie Emmerson confirmed that plans for Tom Summerill are set. Dr. Hanson reported that the program will be finalized when all presenters are confirmed and she noted that the program may be little longer than last year (approximately one hour and fifteen minutes). AP: Chairs are asked to inform Marie if any awards will be given for which donors should be invited to attend. Chairs are asked to inform Dr. Hanson if a shuttle to Reitz will be needed.

2. Media Relations update – Jill Pease reported that Dr. Duncan was quoted in a Ft. Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel article on Florida’s Medicaid reform. A news release about Dr. Classen’s online screening tool for at-risk older drivers was picked up by several outlets, including Health News Digest, a health news wire service. A news release on Dr. Cottler’s research on community interest in study participation was picked up by US News and World Report among other sources. Dr. Gray was interviewed by the international news channel NTN24 and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation on avian influenza in China. Reuters Health interviewed Dr. Marsiske about a study on cognitive aging conducted by researchers at the University of Toronto. Dr. Cottler’s research on NFL players and prescription drug abuse was cited several times in a 4/13/13 Washington Post article. PHHP graduating student Felix Lorenzo will be featured in a video spotlight on UF’s home page.

3. Development update – Marie Emmerson reported that the event for outstanding young alumni on April 6 was attended by Drs. Perri, Cottler, Hall, Prins and Lt. Walden. PHHP emeritus faculty Claudette Finley and Jane Day attended as guests.
Marie also reported that PHHP Outstanding Alumni Tom Summerill will attend the MHA graduation dinner at Warehouse. Sam Holloway and Tom Mallini will have lunch with Dean Perri and Dr. Vandenborne, followed by a tour of CTRB.

4. IT update – Geof Gowan reported that about 570 computers need to be upgraded to Windows 7. Of these, about 400 can be upgraded in about an hour, and about 100 will require some hardware upgrades to accommodate Windows 7. It was agreed that IT will work through the departments alphabetically and aim to complete the upgrades by February 2014. Geof noted that about 60 machines cannot support Windows 7 and will need to be put out of service.

5. Research update – Dr. Cottler reported that PHHP Research Day included 129 posters and it was agreed that that three-minute talks were a success. Dr. Cottler reminded the group that the Research Town Hall meeting will be held April 30th at 4:00 pm.

6. Open Access – Dr. Perri reported that UF senate library committee has drafted an open access proposal and will be hosting workshops and forums to facilitate discussion among the faculty.

7. Administrative update – AP: Dr. Perri reminded chairs that program reviews are due to him on May 1. This is a firm deadline. Andre Burne noted that the DSR database is not functioning. Andrea is following up and, in the meantime, she will breakout information and send to each department.

8. Announcements – All
   - Dr. Hall announced that an HSRMP student received a fellowship at ARC.
   - Dr. Latimer announced that CHP is hosting NIDA summer interns. CHP office staff hires are almost complete.
   - Dr. Bowers announced that Drs. Hall and Pomeranz are the new PHHP faculty senators and that Dr. Price is filling Dr. Reilly’s vacated seat. Faculty council will be sending out an online survey about the role of shared governance.
   - Dr. Perri reminded all about the general faculty meeting on Friday at noon. The agenda consists of a report from the Blended Learning Taskforce and a report from Faculty Council.
   - Dr. Gonzalez-Rothi announced that 21 applications were received for a master statistician position and 5 candidates are coming in to interview.
   - Dr. Mann announced that the OT faculty will be attending the annual meeting of the American Occupational Therapy Association next week.