

General Medical Faculty  
Faculty Senators Quarterly Meeting  
Minutes  
1/25/2017

I Welcome - Emad Kandil

Announced the Provost will attend the General Medical Faculty Meeting Feb 8, 2017. Also stated that general medical faculty meetings will now include updates from 3 departments at each meeting.

II. Updates from the Dean - L Lee Hamm

Research: Another good year this for 2016-17. May be because of past long cycle grants as submissions are down this year.

Clinical: UMC integration going reasonably well. Tulane will provide the palliative care service. VA some areas we have gained ground others we have lost ground. TUMC financial status is improved, renovations are continuing. There are ongoing discussions of the University taking over the management of the clinics. Lakeview hospital will “merge” with TUMC under one provider number. There are some financial benefits to this

Education: There are three areas of focus currently. 1. Evaluate the unmatched students and the reasons, some are poor performers overall, some are not sufficiently competitive for competitive specialties. 2. Graduation questionnaire – we rank low on overall satisfaction and going down. This may be an issue of student advising. All departments are evaluating this. 3. STEP 2 clinical skills – pass rate was low but is improving.

III. Dean’s opportunities and challenges – L Lee Hamm

Education: We do well in general in education. But we need to continue to work on it. Learning academies are being created with approx 30 students in each. Goal is to make sure the class doesn’t feel too large

Research: Tulane must improve research status. A large part needs to come from the medical school. Focus is on clinical and translational research.

Clinical: We are not as big as we need to be. Quality and patient satisfaction is not as good as we want it to be.

IV. Questions form Faculty Senators - L Lee Hamm

1. What are the plans for telemedicine? Answer: Psych is using it and there are plans for some use in pediatrics.
2. Can the costs to use the basic science cores be brought down or updated because this causes work to be outsourced? Answer: It is hard to have the volume needed to bring the costs down and it is uncertain if this would be a good investment
3. Can the school develop an onboarding office for new hires – particularly for clinical hires? Answer: We have a small administrative backbone so this may not get the attention needs.

V. Updates from Faculty Affairs – Tonette Krousel-Wood  
Provost will be at the next GMF meeting Feb 8<sup>th</sup>. Solicited suggestions to improve the attendance. Noted poor attendance no matter the time of day chosen. No ideas given.

VI: Adjournment