

GMF Faculty Advisory Committee quarterly meeting

Minutes

May 10, 2017

1. **Welcome** – Emad Kandil, MD; Chair of GMF

Update was given about the last GMF meeting (May 4, 2017). Election for GMF committees will be held in May. Please, vote.

2. **Updates from the Dean** – L. Lee Hamm, MD

Summary of the goals of the University and SOM. One of the major goals is increasing diversity.

Clinical: Integration with VA and UMC continues. New chairs were hired for clinical departments/sections.

Education: Very good match year. Preparation for LCME 2019 site visit is ongoing.

Research: Good year. SOM received more funding this year. The number of clinical trials was increased. New faculty recruits. Bridge and pilot awards are available. New confocal microscope was purchased.

3. **Questions from FAC**

Q: Can physicians fulfill their jobs (more patients than doctors)?

A: Bigger footprint is needed. There is unequal distribution (e.g., some specialties are difficult to recruit for; some does not have enough patients etc.)

Q: What will happen with the primate center?

A: Dean Hamm oversees the hiring process.

Q: How to solve operational issues in the clinic (e.g., physician is there, but the nurse is not)?

A: Clinics are managed by the hospital. It would be ideal to bring up this topic on a town hall meeting.

Q: How to facilitate PR (testimonial from patients on the web)?

A: PR (Keith Brannon and Carlos Avrard) should be notified. It is important to have good PR for SOM.

4. **Next steps**

Encourage everybody to participate on GMF meetings.

5. **Adjournment**