

General Medical Faculty: Faculty Advisory Committee and Faculty Senators  
Quarterly Meeting Minutes. Monday, July 30, 2018

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- I. Welcome – *Laurianne Wild, M.D., Chair of the General Medical Faculty*
  - II. Introductions: Please see the roll for those present.
  - III. Updates from the Dean – *L. Lee Hamm, M.D., Senior Vice President and Dean*
    - Education:
      - Recruited 190 medical students that will start Monday, August 6, 2018
      - White Coat ceremony is Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at the Hyatt.
      - Had > 12,000 student applicants to Tulane.
      - We have increased diversity and now have more female students than male students, from 30 universities in 8 states, including New York, California, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Texas and Louisiana.
  
      - LCME Mock survey is scheduled for October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.
        1. Independent Student analysis has been completed
        2. We have an ongoing analysis of the school
        3. Collecting a lot of data
      - Real LCME site visit is scheduled for January 2019
        1. Areas of concern are Financial Advising
        2. Advising student regarding careers in general
        3. Recruitment of diversified group – developing a good process for selection
        4. Student mistreatment and professional behavior towards students will be a focus.
    - Research:
      - Funding is down 10%. The most significant concern is the number of RO1's rolling off this year. There are more solid research opportunities in the near future with recent hires.
      - The University's goal is to continue to be in the American Association of Universities. This is based on rank. We are currently in the bottom quartile and can be at risk for rolling off if we do not continue our efforts.
    - Clinical:
      - At the time of the meeting it was reported that East Jefferson was moved from a possible to a probable.
      - 60% of the clinical business is outpatient so we are working on independent outpatient strategies for expansion.
      - Continuing for now with Tulane, UMC and the VA.
    - Financially:
      - The SOM is slightly positive although there is 1 debt that is still pending. We work on a tight budget investing every penny.
- On the Dean's To Do List
- Mary Brown's job has been reposted, and we are looking for more administrative help.
  - The police station and gym in the old Walgreen's should be opening soon.
  - There are many ongoing searches for positions.
  - We are evaluating the Master's programs soon.
  - He is to meet with more donors.
- IV. Key Challenges and Opportunities in the School of Medicine
    - Questions from the Faculty Advisory Committee

- i. Q: Are there any updates about the WiFi upgrade on the downtown campus? A: There have been no reported issues recently in the SOM. We have had issues with the cell service in the hospital, particularly AT&T. The dean was unaware of this issue.
- ii. Q: What is the status of the clinics on the Northshore? A: There have been recent conflicts with HCA and SOM, specifically the \$1.5 million cut in salary support. There have been other conflicts with the hospital as well so they are looking at other opportunities, namely Outpatient Surgery. There have been other collaborations with the School of Public Health for a research grant with a possible \$1.2 million in revenue per year. The university has the advantage of being self insured for health care coverage, although managed by United Health Care. This policy favors having steerage: you go where you want but you pay less for Tulane doctors.
- iii. Q: How do we get more faculty participation at meetings and on committees? A: Options included tracking participation, developing a reward system, electronic options including signing in, grading system for professionalism and involvement, chair encouragement for representation... The group questioned the goal of the GMF? Needs maximal usefulness. How many meetings do we really need? At least the president and the provost each year.

V. Next Steps

VI. Adjournment

**The next meeting is Monday, October 1, 2018 in the Dean's Conference Room (15<sup>th</sup> floor of Murphy)**