Meeting was called to order by Dr. Kilgore at 5:00.

An opportunity to welcome Dean DiPaola was discussed and a date will be set after his arrival on March 31, 2016.

The floor was given to Dr. Griffith to brief the Faculty Council on the plans to expand medical education recently announced by President Capilouto. UK’s medical enrollment has grown by more than 30% in recent years and capacity for further increase is limited. The agreement that was announced on February 18 was to further expand our collaboration with Morehead and to partner with the University of Western Kentucky to address this shortage. Dr. Griffith’s presentation highlighted the critical need to address the physician shortage in Kentucky and the fact that the University of Kentucky currently trains fewer clinicians than the University of Louisville and the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Pikeville. Dr. Griffith presented the broad outlines of this plan and sought Faculty Council input.

Dr. Griffith suggested, and the Faculty Council agreed, that a steering committee should be appointed to oversee the formation of subcommittees to examine and address the steps needed to meet these challenges.

The following names were put forward for consideration to serve on this committee and will be forwarded to Dean de Beer: (This was sent on 3.17.2016)

Dr. Charles Griffith  Dr. Emery Wilson  Dr. Carol Elam
Dr. Greg Jicha  Dr. Chris Feddock  Dr. Mike Piascik
Dr. Michael Kilgore  Dr. Paul Murphy  A Clerkship Director (1 or more)

Others that were discussed were:
Dr. Todd Cheever (WKU graduate)
Dr. Anthony D. Weaver, Assistant dean for the Morehead campus.
Timing of the implementation by the Fall of 2017 was discussed. Concerns were raised that the upcoming LCME review and the number of issues needing resolution could make this date impractical.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15