

Minutes, College of Medicine Faculty Council Meeting 08-18-15

Attendance:

Basic Sciences	Clinical
Jones, Davy	Bailey, Paula
Kelly, Tom	Iocono, Joe
Sullivan, Pat	Jackson, Wendy
Swanson, Hollie	Jicha, Greg
Wilson, Melinda	Springer, Joe
	Stevens, Julia
	Valentino, Joe

**in attendance*

Guests: Drs. Lumy Sawaki and Kevin Pearce, COM representatives to the AAMC Council of Faculty and Academic Societies (CFAS).

Announcements: Chair Springer recognized Drs. Davy Jones, Julia Stevens, Hollie Swanson, and Joe Valentino for their service on Faculty Council. He also recognized Brandy Harris Lawson for her efforts as administrative support to Faculty Council.

Update from the COM representatives to the AAMC Council of Faculty and Academic Societies (CFAS): Drs. Sawaki and Pearce provided an update from the March AAMC meeting of the CFAS, which was established in 2013 to provide a voice for faculty from all member medical schools to communicate with the AAMC. Their presentation may be accessed by [clicking here](#). It is also available on the COM Faculty Council [website](#). Several key priorities/issues have been identified by the CFAS that are consistent across all medical schools. Discussion focused on the best mechanism for engaging COM faculty to become aware of these priorities/issues, and how they may impact the future of academic medicine at UK and more acutely, our upcoming LCME accreditation. Faculty Council will summarize the discussion in a forthcoming email and ask for input from the faculty and administration on specific priorities unique to the COM and to identify relevant action items. The LCME accreditation timeline is an important factor for prioritizing these efforts. The council recognized and appreciates the participation and efforts of Drs. Sawaki and Pearce as the COM CFAS representatives.

COM Faculty Rules on Faculty Council chair elections: Council member Jones presented a draft to amend the COM faculty rules in order to address possible contingency scenarios when no eligible members are willing or able to serve as chair (under Faculty rules 3.34 Officers:). A motion to approve the amendment for discussion at the next general faculty meeting was seconded and passed.

Faculty Council Representation on College Committees: Chair Springer discussed the need for Faculty Council representation on the Student Progress and Promotion Committee (SPPC) and the Curriculum Committee. Council member Jackson currently sits on the SPPC and agreed to serve as the Faculty Council representative. Efforts are in place to identify a representative to the Curriculum Committee by the next meeting of Faculty Council.

Other Business: Chair Springer announced that the results of voting for replacing members who are rotating off Faculty Council would be available by the following day. Council member Jones announced that the Board of Trustees' University Health Care Committee will meet on at 8:00 am on Monday, August 24 on the 18th floor of the Patterson Office Building to hear Dr. Paul Kearney's appeal.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 and the next meeting is scheduled for September 15.

Administrative Note: The University Health Care Committee of the University Board of Trustees voted unanimously to restore all of Dr. Paul Kearney's academic privileges. The committee then voted unanimously to uphold the earlier ruling to revoke his clinical privileges at the University of Kentucky. Upon that outcome Dr. Kearney wrote to Faculty Council Chair Joe Springer relating his appreciation for the concerns on his case that had been expressed by the Faculty Council and many COM faculty, staff and students.