School of Dentistry Faculty Council
Stefan Habelitz, PhD, Chair

MINUTES
Thursday, October 20, 2011
Room U 506

PRESENT: Stefan Habelitz (Chair), Torsten Wittmann (Vice Chair), Peter Sargent (for Dean Featherstone), Linda Centore, Don Curtis, Mehran Hossaini, Sophia Saeed

GUEST: Joseph Eliason, ADS President

The School of Dentistry Faculty Council was called to order by Chair Habelitz on October 20, 2011 at 8:06 a.m. in Room U 506. A quorum was present.

Chair’s Report
Chair Habelitz made these announcements:

• The Faculty Retreat was well attended, although it is still unclear how the School fits into the Medical Center plans.
  o Some members of the Council commented that access to Axium should be compatible with Apex. Chair Habelitz suggested inviting Mark Kirkland to attend to address this issue. M. Hossaini also suggested inviting Tony Pogrel.
  o There was discussion regarding increasing attendance. Some ideas included:
    ▪ Including voting items on the agenda
    ▪ Inviting a motivational speaker
    ▪ Having the meeting offsite and/or overnight
• The Senate Membership Task Force is continuing to meet and advocate for clinical and adjunct faculty representation on Senate Committees. (Appendix 1)
• The Chancellor gave a presentation on her goals for the next three years. Some of her priorities include patient care and hiring stellar faculty. (Appendix 2)
• Phase One of Operational Excellence has begun. The major challenge is grappling with how to track successes and failures.
• The current iteration of the Long Range Development Plan calls for the U Building and Clinical Sciences to be renovated. Chair Habelitz indicated his desire to invite someone to the Faculty Council to discuss the renovation and have a discussion regarding allocation of space in a manner that makes geographical sense. He wants the School to be vocal about advocating for SOD space.
• Update on the admissions process. The first day went well, there was some confusion on the second day due to communications issues. In terms of departments, CTB was 100% on target, PRDS and OMFS were 70% on target. OFS had the lowest percentage. The Council discussed having a sign-up sheet along with a penalty mechanism in the form of a professionalism notation.

Dean’s Report
No report.

Student Representative Report
No report.

**Analyst Report**
No report.

**Old Business**
None.

**New Business**
None.

There being no further business, Chair Habelitz adjourned the meeting at 9:34am.

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