School of Dentistry Faculty Council
Maria Orellana, DDS, PhD, Chair

MINUTES
Thursday, February 12, 2015

PRESENT: Maria Orellana (Chair), Michael McMaster (Vice Chair), Amin Abdallah, Katja Brueckner, John Featherstone, James Giblin, Mehran Hossaini, Sneha Oberoi, Howard Pollick, Caroline Shiboski

EXCUSED: Noelle L'Etoile

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: None

The School of Dentistry Faculty Council was called to order by Chair Maria Orellana on Thursday, February 12, 2015 at 8:05 a.m. in room S-616. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes from the January 2014 Meeting
Council Members approved the minutes.

Chair's Report
Chair Orellana reported on the following items:
  • Chancellors Council
    o Recruitment and Retention: It was expressed to the Chancellor that the high cost of living in San Francisco, and the Bay Area, is a significant challenge in recruiting faculty and post-doc fellows.
    o Curriculum Reform: Chair Orellana also informed the Chancellor about the schools plan to reform the School of Dentistry curriculum. The Chancellor was interested and asked plenty of questions.
    o Clinical Enterprise: The group received a report on UCSF’s efforts to expand the clinical enterprise in the regional market.

Vice Chairs Report
Vice Chair Michael McMaster reported on the following items:
  • Coordinating Committee
    o Constitutional Amendment: California Senator DeLaro has proposed legislation that would shift UC governing authority from the UC Regents to the California legislature. This hasn’t had much traction, but it is important for Senate faculty to be aware.
    o Long-term Financial Plan: Governor Brown and UC President Napolitano are meeting together to discuss the long-term financial plan for the university. This group has been dubbed the “Committee of Two.”
    o Catalyst Awards: UC President Napolitano has donated $10M to these multi-campus awards. This UC President Initiative was launched at each campus. The UCSF Committee on Sustainability reviewed both applications submitted to Student Academic Affairs. Both applications were deemed fundable.
Proposed UCOP Faculty Salary Raises: Nathan Brostrom, Executive VP, Business Operation, advised that this is included in the 2015-2016 budget as a funded mandate. Those on the Academic Council call deemed HSCP faculty salary plan too complicated to include in the immediate teleconference discussion. A canvas of other UC campuses with HSCP faculty revealed they have not included such faculty in their consideration of faculty salaries.

Child/Elder Care: The Bright Horizons child and elder care program has been expanded from 130 to 170 people per year. Junior faculty and residents have been the largest population using the service.

Space Discussion: The Academic Senate’s representative on the Clinical Sciences Space Committee attended to provide a report. He informed the Coordinating Committee that the new building will have a hybrid space. He also informed the group that policy guidelines have been drafted to provide instruction on how the offices will be divided. Their recommendation was to give it to faculty and staff who have the most private meetings.

HR Reforms: AVC of HR David Odato attended to provide a report about HR reforms. Committee members requested that the HR department please provide more information on timelines for transactions. There was also a discussion about the increasing complexity of hiring post-docs.

Chancellors Fund: Committee members voted to approve a business plan with reductions in the allocated amounts. The hope is to move quickly and spend the funds by the end of June.

Dean’s Report
Dean John Featherstone provided the following report:

- New Executive Vice Chancellor: Professor Dan Lowenstein has been named the new Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost. The Dean is in full support of the appointment and he looks forward to working with EVCP Lowenstein in the future.
- Appointment of New AVC for Translational Research: It was recently announced that Dr. Jennifer Grandis, from the University of Pittsburg, was named the new Associate Vice Chancellor for Translation Research. The Dean is aware that she is keen on the development of a head and neck center at UCSF. This will involve cancer researchers and clinicians from all around the campus, including the School of Dentistry.
- Search for Associate Dean of Research and Academic Affairs: The School has started the process of searching for a new Associate Dean of Research and Associate Dean of Academic Affairs. Professor Peter Sargent currently holds both of these positions, but he will be retiring soon. The Dean requested that a member of the Faculty Council serve on the hiring committee for the Associate Dean of Research. Vice Chair McMaster volunteered.
- American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Scholarships: The Dean is proud to announce that three students were awarded the ADEA scholar award. Not only is a student winning an award a significant achievement, but all three UCSF Dentistry students who applied, won. UCSF was the only school to have this accomplishment.

Student Report
Student Representative Amin Abdallah reported on the following items:

- Exam Software Problem: The students recently took an exam using an online system. Issues arose after some students taking the test were locked out and not able to complete the exam. Dr. Sophia Saaed is working to ensure that the students who were unable to take the exam have the opportunity.
- Portfolio Exam: The students are concerned with the plans to administer a portfolio exam at UCSF. Students do not have a problem with taking the exam, but they anticipate that there will be issues with the logistics and administration. Also, the exam only matters for those who are seeking certification in California. This is an issue for all students planning to practice out of state.
Question about the Response to the UNC Tragedy: The students have noted concern with the Schools response to the UNC tragedy. The Dean noted that a message was recently posted to Facebook and an email may go out soon.

**Department Representative Reports**
Cell and Tissue Biology: None
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery: None
Preventative and Restorative Dental Sciences: None
Orofacial Science: None

**Old Business**
None

**New Business**
Curriculum renewal – there will be an all-day retreat on March 26. At the event the planners will be rolling out the ideas and the basis for educational principles.

Chair Orellana adjourned the meeting at 9:33 am.

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