UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
Faculty Affairs Committee Minutes
Monday, October 12, 2015
5:30 - 6:30 PM
School of Medicine Dean’s Conference Room M243

Present: Dennis Lubahn, Susan Zurowski, Sue Boren, Shan Lu Liu, Elizabeth Parks, Mistie Mills, Maike Krenz, Michael Aro, Camila Manrique, Mahesh Thakkar, Naresh Khatri.

Excused: Munish Goyal

1. USMLE Step 2 Performance Analysis
   Copies of the most recent analysis had been distributed by email and hard copies made available. The results were briefly discussed, which show an overall above average performance in terms of scores and pass rate, of University of Missouri examinees. However, data from previous years is not currently available to the committee. It was agreed that the committee would seek additional data, or perhaps would host a school of medicine representative that would be able to present prior years data and evaluate for trends.

2. Recent School of Medicine Events
   The members discussed the recent resignation of Dean Delafontaine, and expressed concerns and questions of various faculty of the school of medicine about the circumstances related to his resignation and the process by which the information was released to the faculty at large. There was concern about the implications of the dean’s resignation on the prospect of hiring a new one, general morale of the faculty and whether there were flaws in the initial process of hiring. Camila Manrique as a representative of the medical school to campus faculty council conveyed a message from the chair of faculty council, Ben Trachtenberg, that the executive would be meeting the following Thursday the 15th of October, and would be willing to give an audience to a group of faculty representatives which would hopefully represent the spectrum of senior faculty and some departmental leadership. The Committee agreed to form a small subcommittee to work on talking points to be discussed at the faculty council meeting based on questions of due process, potential implications of the dean’s resignation on the University’s reputation and how to mitigate this, and future plans for school of medicine leadership. It was also agreed to send a letter through the school of medicine faculty affairs council members to the leadership and faculty of the various departments soliciting for volunteers to attend the Faculty Council meeting.

Respectfully Submitted
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Secretary, Faculty Affairs Committee.