December 16th all faculty assembly

Welcome by Dr. Churchill wishing everyone Happy Holidays and encouraging all of us not to focus on the economy and hiring freeze but to use this time to work towards more efficient and cost effective practice.

Report of the FAC by Dr. Stephen Colbert:
Four main areas of focus were presented:
1. Resident vestiture for residents who return to faculty is being looked into. There are no legal issues or requirements for this standard. The deciding factor is cost and where the funds will come from to provide such a benefit.
2. The care of student athletes for MU Orthopaedics has been officially endorsed by the FAC and a letter outlining this support will be sent to President Forsee.
3. Change in Student Promotions bylaws, passed by faculty vote, will take effect at the start of the new academic year 09-10
4. The voting for a change in the bylaws regarding promotion and tenure will be going out soon. Please Vote! This will allow the PAT guidelines to be updated to standards throughout campus.
A comment was made to stress that care of student athletes was important to all clinical departments.

Report of the Research Council by Dr. Gary Clark:
The research day was very successful with 82 posters presented—the largest number to date! All of the poster award winners were reviewed. The recipients of the Dorsett L. Spurgeon Award were reviewed. Congratulations to Dr’s Fadel and Fang. A reminder of the summer research fellowship for M-1’s, Incoming M-1’s and Conley scholars was announced. Life Science Week is scheduled for April 13th-17th of 2009.

Report on the Curriculum Board by Dr William Steinmann
Dr. Steinmann reviewed the responsibilities of the Board including: learning objectives, teaching techniques, and recommendations. The Board meets the 4th Wednesday of the month and all are welcome to attend.
Actions for to date:
Elected new members
Approved 09-10 schedule
Discussed bylaws, activities and role of the Board
Annual review of courses and approval of a senior elective in the Simulation Center.
The LCME review was also discussed. The goals of the Board are to improve information exchange, explore medical students portfolios, implement findings of the LCME survey. There was a reminder to nominate co-workers for teaching awards and a review of online documents available to members.

Report of the Committee on Student Promotions by Dr. Mark Wakefield:
Dr. Wakefield reviewed the bylaw change mentioned by Dr. Colbert. The change passed by faculty vote which includes the election of 4 members of faculty for promotion
committee. There will be a dismissal of any student who accumulates 3 deficiencies. On June 24th and 25th, the Committee voted on 6 students (5M1’s and 1M2) no recommendations for dismissal were made. In November, 4 M2’s were reviewed and one was voted on for dismissal. There are currently 41 students on academic probation. This seems to be consistent the last 3 years—approximately 10% of the student body. These students consist of: 4M1, 13M2, 18M3, and 6M4’s. Unsatisfactory grades were reviewed. 6 students are currently on a leave of absence for various reasons: 3 M1 and 3M2’s. On November 11th, 3 LOA’s were approved. Finally, the USMLE results were reviewed.

Report on the Committee on Admissions by Dr. Will Roland
The 2008 entering class had 1380 applicants for 320 interviews and 159 acceptances. The average incoming GPA 3.76 and MCAT score was 30. Profiles of the students were reviewed. 52% are male and 48% female. 16% are out of state. There are 17 Conley scholars and 7 Bryant scholars.

For the 2009 class, there were 1282 applicants for 300 interviews. In state interview is automatic with a 3.5 GPA and 28 MCAT score.

Report on Pre-Professional Scholars by Dr Kevin Kane
Conley Scholars need a 30 or higher on ACT, or a 1300 SAT, from Missouri or bordering state. There were 161 Applications, 55 interviewed and 16 accepted.
Bryant Scholars are sophomores in college, Missouri residents, and rural HS grads. 30 or higher on ACT and at least a 3.3 college GPA. Sign a letter of intent to participate in a rural track program. 16 interviewed 10 accepted. 65% going to primary care. 50% to towns of less than 18,000.

The meeting was then adjourned with closing remarks from Dr. Churchill.