

Academic Affairs Subcommittee of the
Board of Directors

August 9, 2007

Minutes

Attendees: R. Galvin, J. Goldberg, L. Klobutcher, B. Koeppen, L. Kosowicz,
M. MacNeil, G. Maxwell, M. Mina

Dr. Galvin called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

1. Public Comment

Dr. Thomas Hettinger, Research Associate in the Department of Oral Health and Diagnostic Sciences, expressed his concerns regarding the Health Center's plans to develop the FarmTech building for stem cell research. His concerns include the following: the diversion of funds from the research tower; the excessive cost of the project; the plans are too narrowly focused on stem cells; the site is too far from the main building; the plan involves risky collaboration with private companies. He suggested that the space vacated by the hospital when the new hospital is built be renovated for research in diverse areas, and that the FarmTech building be leased to biotech companies who would pay for the renovations.

2. Approval of May 7, 2007 Minutes

The minutes of the May 7, 2007 meeting were unanimously approved.

3. Business Items

a. School of Medicine Bylaws Revisions

The Academic Affairs Subcommittee unanimously approved the following recommendation: **That the Academic Affairs Subcommittee approve the attached changes to the School of Medicine Bylaws. These changes have already been approved by the faculty of the School of Medicine and will need to be approved by the full Board of Directors.**

Dr. Jacob presented the proposed revisions to the School of Medicine Bylaws. Three substantive changes include the following: (1) due to potential conflicts, the Senior Appointments and Promotions Committee (SAPC) asked to be relieved of the responsibility to approve or deny applications to interrupt progression to tenure; these decisions will now be made collaboratively between the department chair and the Dean's Office; (2) SAPC members are now allowed to vote on candidates from departments in which an SAPC member holds a secondary

appointment; (3) at the request of the School of Medicine's Admissions Committee, their voting rules were changed to require a majority of all voting members to allow admission. All changes were approved by the School of Medicine Councils and by the paid faculty. They will now be forwarded to the Board of Directors for final approval.

b. New School of Dental Medicine Clinical Curriculum Model

Dr. MacNeil presented a proposal to change the School of Dental Medicine (SDM) clinical education and care model, referred to as the 401 Clinical Education Model. He hopes that implementation of the program will result in a more robust clinical experience for students with emphasis on general dentistry while controlling costs and/or increasing program revenues. He proposes transitioning the program over a three year period. He noted that operating and staffing the clinical facilities is a significant financial endeavor for the School. It is hoped that implementation of this model will result in a shift from a situation where student patient care activity occurs with a financial loss to one where costs are covered and there is an overall financial gain.

Under this model, students matriculating into the School of Dental Medicine will be required to commit to at least one year of advanced training in any ADA accredited advanced training program (currently 85-90 percent of the School's students do so). To provide additional opportunities for advanced training, the School of Dental Medicine's Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program (AEGD) would be increased by 10 additional slots to which the SDM students could apply. The traditional discipline-focused Year 3 would remain unchanged. The Year 4 program would shift from a specialist-driven teaching model to a generalist-driven model. This would include creation of Practice Groups, along with a modest expansion in community health center experiences. He noted that currently, a large amount of uncompensated or poorly-compensated dental care is provided for underserved populations, which is a huge burden on the School. He hopes that creating Practice Groups in a more contemporary environment will result in a favorable and controlled shift in the patient pool. He also noted that a number of people have expressed interest in serving as group leaders, and that faculty who serve in these roles will have 40-60 percent of their time available for private practice.

Dr. MacNeil was asked how this model would impact space configuration. He noted that it would have a significant impact and that current facilities could not accommodate a complete conversion to 401. Lateral to 401, a new Clinic Master Plan has recently been submitted to the UCHC by consultants, and this plan calls for significant renovations in our existing clinics. Dr. MacNeil noted that any renovations made for 401 should be consistent with this plan. Dr. MacNeil also stated that he expects that some Practice Groups would be located at external sites, such as community health centers. Having two to three Practice Groups at community health centers would let the School address the dental needs of underserved communities, would provide a community experience for students, and would lessen the demand on our intramural clinics.

Dr. Goldberg noted that the plan was well received across the entire faculty. The proposal will now be presented to the Finance and Clinical Affairs Subcommittees of the Board of Directors.

4. Consents

a. Endowed Chair Reports

The Academic Affairs Subcommittee unanimously approved the following recommendation: **That the Board of Trustees approve the Annual Reports for the following Endowed Chairs: (1) Infectious Diseases/AIDS Research; (2) Transfusion Medicine; (3) Human Genetics.**

- b. The recommendations for School of Medicine appointments, promotions, tenure awards, and emeritus appointments were unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce M. Koeppen, M.D., Ph.D.