MINUTES
COLLEGE OF MEDICINE JACKSONVILLE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
January 26, 2017
3:00 P.M.
W. A. “Mac” McGriff III Boardroom

The meeting of the College of Medicine Jacksonville Executive Committee was called to order by Guy Benrub, M.D., on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at 3:00 p.m., in the W. A. “Mac” McGriff III Boardroom.

ATTENDING


Staff: Tina Bottini, Jessica Cummings, Gretchen Kuntz, Maryann Palmeter, Nancy Stover, Cheryl Webber, Bill Young

Others: Bill Ryan and Jesef Williams

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the November 30, 2016, meeting of the College of Medicine Jacksonville Executive Committee were approved.

Dean’s Report: Dr. Haley stated that he, Bill Ryan and Dr. Guzick met with the chairs to review plans and challenges. He stated that he and a small group of chairs and UF Health leadership will meet weekly until the north campus opens on May 16. Searches will begin for leadership positions. Dr. Costa has accepted the position of interim chair of the newly created department of Urology until the chair position is filled. Searches will begin for the chairs of Ophthalmology, Radiology and other interim chairs. Dr. Wilson will retire at the end of June and the process will begin for his replacement. Dr. Haley met with Dr. Pearson and there will be a search for the associate dean of research. He stated that research is an important initiative. Two buildings that once housed the finance department and the dental clinic could be used as research space. There is $730,000 in IDC funding available. Dr. Haley stated that he will be meeting with Dr. Good to introduce himself to the chairs and other groups in Gainesville.

UF Health Jacksonville CEO Report: Mr. Ryan stated that they plan to go to the city to request funding for infrastructure improvements which have not been done because the hospital is significantly underfunded for indigent care.

Faculty Council Update: Dr. Kerwin stated that the Faculty Council has developed a list of topics that the Faculty Council would like to join Dr. Haley in addressing.

Quality/Safety Update: Dr. Gray-Eurom stated that public reporting of quality is based on old data. There has been significant improvements since the last reporting period and we are now in the top quartile.
Compliance Update: Mrs. Palmeter stated that she will be sending educational tips on how to report post-operative visits for certain surgical procedures effective July 1. She stated that Stark enforcement of physician-hospital arrangements by whistleblowers is on the rise. There was only a 10% response rate to the last Compliance Awareness survey but it appears that there needs to be additional education regarding our core policies. She stated that our list of risk reviews will be formulated based on the OIG work plan. Audits will no longer be randomly sampled. Software is being evaluated to help evaluate our risk.

HIPAA Update: Mrs. Webber stated that there were 80 cases investigated last year, a 52% increase from the prior year. She suspects that the increase is because people now know who to contact and better understand when they need to report. The top two causes of investigations was unauthorized access and unauthorized disclosures. She stated that options to reduce that number are being considered. The HIPAA training will be available until March 15.

Faculty Affairs Update: Dr. Benrubl stated that there were 7 faculty who submitted packets for promotion to professor and 5 for promotion to associate professor. One who submitted a packet for promotion to professor subsequently resigned. One withdrew from consideration for associate professor. The 10 packets have been forwarded to the APB.

GME Update: Dr. Edwards stated that she has conducted two sessions with the residents who will be meeting with the CLER site visitors. There will be briefing sessions with the faculty who will be meeting with the site visitors. There will be a faculty development certificate program offered this year.

UGME Update: Dr. Genuardi stated that the annual Gainesville/Jacksonville clerkship directors retreat will be held in Jacksonville on February 2. The Exemplary Teachers award data is being gathered. Medical Education week is March 13-17. Dr. Haley and Dr. Lind will do two of the four noon lectures. The banquet in Gainesville is Wednesday evening and Friday of that week is Match Day.

Research Update: Mrs. Bottini stated that the Research Advisory Council will reconvene on February 23. Our areas of strength will be defined. The IDC distribution and space will be discussed and reported back to the COMJEC. Research Day is May 18 and the deadline for abstracts is March 17. The deadline to apply for the resident and fellows Dean’s Fund Research award is February 10. There will be REDCap training in Jacksonville on February 24 which is open to all faculty and staff. Research funding for the first six months of the fiscal year is $14.1 million compared to $15.4 million for the same period last year.

Administrative Update: Mr. Conde stated that faculty who wish to retain an appointment after resignation will need to pay premiums for benefits or wait for six months to enroll in benefits. The University has a regulation that faculty funded through contract and grants can be terminated in 90 days rather than going through the non-renewal process. Effective July 1, 2017, offer letters will include restrictive covenant language. Mr. Conde stated that almost all faculty that we have hired under a visa have left as soon as they obtain permanent residency. He stated that all faculty must have a “jax.ufl.edu” e-mail address.
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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Leon L. Haley, Jr., M.D., MHSA