

**USF College of Medicine
Faculty Council Meeting
Minutes**

**Tuesday, December 7, 2010 - 5:30 p.m.
MDC 2301**

**Videoconferencing at
South Tampa Center for Advanced Healthcare, Room 5051C**

Faculty President Bryan Bognar called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Minutes

President Bognar asked if there were any comments regarding the minutes of the October Faculty Council meeting. There were none and a motion was made for approval. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved as submitted.

Curriculum Committee Update

Dr. Frazier Stevenson, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Medical Education, presented a report on Curriculum Committee activities for 2009-10. The Committee is chaired by Dr. Kira Zwuygart, Associate Professor of Family Medicine, who was unable to attend this meeting.

In reviewing accomplishments for the year, Dr. Stevenson reported that the Committee has addressed two citations that were received from the LCME in 2007. The first citation was for insufficient Committee oversight of the curriculum. A letter was received this year stating that oversight has been improved. The second citation noted that there were too many teaching hours in the first two years of the curriculum. A letter received in 2010 noted improvement in the number of contact hours, but the goal has not been met. Further reductions in the second year have been approved by the Curriculum Committee for 2010-11.

Dr. Stevenson reviewed some of the curricular changes, beginning with Years 1 and 2. The interdisciplinary block courses have been restructured, with four courses occurring in succession and each lasting six to ten weeks. The courses incorporate traditional courses and content that previously spanned the entire year. Students will receive a grade for each course and may remediate prior to the start of the subsequent course if appropriate. Student competency will be tracked in the traditional basic science disciplines. The new Doctoring 1 and 2 course incorporates LCE, Physical Diagnosis, Communication and Ethics, with students meeting in small group settings. Year 2 will offer scholarly concentration, with elective time. A new Evidence-Based Clinical Reasoning course will replace the Evidence-Based Medicine course and will have a greater research focus. It will extend over Years 1 and 2.

In Year 3, students will have the option to defer the Emergency Medicine clerkship until Year 4 and instead take an elective. The Emergent and Urgent Care clerkship will have one week of trauma experience. The Neuropsychiatry clerkship has been restructured in order to improve integration of the specialties. In Year 4, students will be given more elective time. The Interdisciplinary Oncology clerkship has been changed from required to elective status. There will be improved preparation for specific residency programs.

Dr. Stevenson reported that the inaugural class of the USF–LVHN SELECT program will have 24 students starting in 2011-2012. Students will spend their first two years in Tampa, followed by two years in Allentown, Pennsylvania. The Curriculum Committee has approved the initial curriculum proposal, which follows the core curriculum. Some modifications will be necessary.

Old Business: Video Archiving Policy

President Bognar reported that a small working committee has been formed to review current and proposed video archiving policies. The committee will be chaired by Dr. Nicholas Burdash, Faculty Council Representative from Molecular Medicine.

Old Business: Faculty “Hall of Fame”

President Bognar gave an update on the proposed Faculty Hall of Fame, which was first discussed at the October meeting. The intent is to honor those faculty who have contributed to the development of the College of Medicine and USF Health. Dean Klasko is supportive of this idea. An group of interested faculty is being formed, to be headed up by Dr. Richard Lockey. Dr. Bognar has found examples of this type of honor at other universities. The Faculty Council will participate in the development of the parameters.

Old Business: Space Committee

As discussed at a prior Faculty Council meeting, the Space Committee has not been active for several years, but is mandated by the Faculty Bylaws. President Bognar reported that there are other groups at USF Health that are currently working on space needs and a USF Health space retreat is scheduled for later this week. A motion was made to request that one or more Faculty Council representatives be assigned to work with the existing groups on space needs. The motion was seconded and approved by the Faculty Council. It was also decided that the Bylaws Committee will be asked to consider the usefulness of the College of Medicine Space Committee.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.