

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Attendees: Fran Archambault, Sanford Cloud, Joel Freedman, Marc Hansen, Marja Hurley, Manisha Juthani, Mina Mina, Wayne Rawlins, Tannin Schmidt, Amy Gorin, Jeff Geoghegan, Marilyn Katz, Steven Lepowsky, Bruce Liang, Rick McCarthy, KiKi Nissen, Jennifer Ozimek, Tom Regan, Scott Simpson, Christine Thatcher

1. Public Comment - None

2. Chair's Remarks

- a. Welcome and updates
 - i. The meeting came to order with the Chair welcoming everyone to the meeting and taking roll call of attendees.
- b. Approval of minutes from April 17, 2023 Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes was made. Seconded. Approved 9-0-0

3. Consent Items

- a. Approval of School of Medicine Recommendations for Appointment at and Promotion to Senior Rank, Award of Academic Tenure, and Emeritus Appointment (Dr. Bruce Liang)
 - i. The names and details can be found on pages 11 and 18
 - ii. Dr. Archambault asked if he could especially thank all those who have been promoted and/or appointed and recognize their outstanding contributions to this institution.
- b. Approval of School of Dental Medicine Recommendations for Promotion to Senior Rank and Award of Academic Tenure (Dr. Steven Lepowsky)
 - i. The names and details can be found on page 73

A motion to approve all consent items was made. Seconded. Approved 9-0-0

4. Business Items

- a. School of Medicine Tuition and Fees Proposal (Dr. Marilyn Katz) Pages 88-96
 - i. It is recommended that there be a 2.5% increase for resident tuition and 0.5% increase for out of state and regional tuition
 - ii. Dr. Katz reported that while resident tuition is increasing, UConn School of Medicine tuition and fees remain below that of most local public competitor schools.

- iii. Additionally, UConn School of Medicine graduates have an average of \$177k indebtedness compared to the average of \$183k and the median of \$189k among all medical schools
- iv. Dr. Nissen asked how we have one of the highest tuitions, yet one of the lowest indebtedness – can our students simply afford our costs? Dr. Katz replied that our financial aid programs, such as loans and grants, greatly contribute to our students being able to afford our school. Dr. Liang echoed this report and reported that we have a donor who has recently pledged about \$8 million to use for scholarships for students. Dr. Regan also mentioned that since Connecticut has a very lenient residency policy, most students can apply for in-state tuition after their first year of medical school. Joel Freedman then asked 1) how many of the 2nd year class are residents vs non-residents and 2) do we offer scholarships to encourage students to attend UConn SoM? Dr. Liang replied that we have about \$5.3 million each year committed to grants.

A motion to approve the Tuition and Fees Increase was made. Seconded. Approved 9-0-0

- b. Approval of Revisions to the Bylaws of the School of Dental Medicine (Dr. Steven Lepowsky)
 - i. A comprehensive review of the Bylaws of the School of Dental Medicine, which were last revised in 2011, was started in 2019. What is included in the board book, are the final revisions from this review, which was approved by Dental Senate in September 2022. There was also a closed ballot vote in July 2023, where the revisions were approved by 79 of the 80 SoDM faculty members who voted.
 - ii. Please see details of the revisions on pages 97-250 of the board book.
 - iii. Two AAsBoD members asked for clarification on the appointment of Dean of School of Dental Medicine and reporting line of the Dean. Dr. Lepowsky indicated that the Provost appoints the Dean of Dental Medicine. In addition, A BoD member indicates that according to the University Bylaws, Dean of School of Dental Medicine and Dean of School of Medicine report to the Provost. Dr. Archambault asked that these two clarifications be made to the SDM bylaws.

A motion to approve the Revisions to the Bylaws of the SoDM was made. Seconded. Approved 9-0-0

- c. Oversight Committee Report (Dr. Marc Hansen)
 - i. Dr. Hansen reported that he has no voting matters for today's meeting. Dr. Hansen did report that the Departmental Reviews for 2023 are on schedule: Dept. of Medicine for October 2023 and Dept. of Anesthesiology for September 2023

5. Informational Items

- a. Degree Conferral Dates (Dr. Marilyn Katz)
 - i. Dr. Katz reported that Dr. Melissa Held has been working on this item for the SoM. She mentioned that as of now, there is only one degree conferral date, which is after the spring semester in May. It is suggested that the SoM add a summer conferral date in August and a winter conferral date in December. Dr. Lepowsky mentioned that Dr. Eric Bernstein worked with Dr. Held and the registrar to discuss this topic, for both the SoM and the SoDM. Dr. Archambault reported that he has also discussed this topic with the Provost's office, and they are also supportive of this change.
- b. Preliminary Profile: 2023 Entering Class of UConn School of Medicine – Class of 2027 (Dr. Thomas Regan)
 - i. Dr. Regan reported that the 2023 entering class has 112 students, from 4,336 applicants. 85 of the students are Connecticut residents and 57% are female. The average age of the students is 23 years old. 16% are under represented minorities and 17% are under represented in medicine.
 - ii. Dr. Archambault asked if this is the largest class size we can accommodate. Dr. Liang replied that we would like to eventually have a class size of up to 120 students. However, this will be done in small increments to ensure the quality of the medical student education. The hope is to have a class of 114 next year, and 116 the year after. Additionally, Dr. Liang reported that they have recently regarded all Connecticut Children faculty as our primary pediatric faculty.
 - iii. Dr. Hurley asked how the SCOTUS decision to remove race as a factor in admissions will affect our admission of under represented students. Dr. Regan said that we will now need to rely more on outreach programs and more effort will be needed on our end to continue our commitment to diversity, inclusion and belonging.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

Monday, October 23, 2023

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. via WebEx