

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Location: Interwebs Cyberspace

Webex information:

Phone Number: 1-415-655-0001

Meeting Number: 2314 413 8971

Meeting Password: UJt3pt3Pn39

Attendance: Marc Hansen, Bruce Mayer, Enrique Ballesteros, Eric Mortensen, Jennifer Cavallari, Linda Sprague-Martinez, Santhanam Lakshminarayanan, Kourosh Parham

Not in Attendance: Riqiang Yan

Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes – Approved 7-0-0
One member joined the meeting after the vote
2. Old Business
 - a. Waiting for a possible by-law change from the Public Issues Council
3. New Business
 - a. none
4. Informational Items
 - a. Upcoming Governance Council Elections: The major impact on the Oversight Committee is that the two basic science faculty seats—Jennifer Cavallari and Bruce Mayer—will be rolling off.

The chair asked all the OC members to encourage people to apply for all the available positions. There will be openings on all the councils.

The Oversight Committee gets to nominate people for the Health Center Faculty Review Board. There is one resignation whose seat needs to be filled by April 5th.
5. Standing Monthly Liaison Reports
 - a. Clinical Council – Three new hires were approved: sports medicine, urology surgery, and geriatrics. There were two highly qualified candidates for Geriatrics, so they are rushing to approve the second candidate. UConn and Cigna are in negotiations, but the gap is very wide, and it may come to the point of Cigna being dropped because they are very far apart. FY24, a 40 million budget shortfall is being chipped away at. Also, 29.5 million will be the shortfall on the 40 million budget for FY25. Quality Scorecards – Endocrinology received high marks. An update was provided on the services offered on the new intranet, the HUB. There will be a new initiative on workplace violence training. A lot of rollouts with the Brain and Spine Institute, which officially opens on March 29th.
 - b. Dean’s Council: The Dean gave an update on the SOM Match—100% of students matched. The legislature’s budget vote is coming up in April. The Kane Brothers did the market analysis of the Health Center. The draft is finished and with the Governor.
 - c. Education Council—met last week. Subcommittee reports were discussed. The Match was also discussed. This year, a high number of UConn SOM students chose to stay at UConn for their residency. Minor curricular issues were discussed for the graduate school. Any new faculty who wants to recruit student researchers will have to participate in mentorship training before being approved.
 - d. Public Issues Council – rescheduled for April 16th

- e. Research Council—fringe benefit issues for the postdocs were discussed, as was renegotiating the contract with Air Gas. Regarding funding for publishing in high-impact journals, the impact factor must be 10 or higher for research publications. A biostatistician is also available at no cost for people who want to publish. Both these are first come, first served, so they will fill up fast.

Meeting Adjourned – 9:17 am

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – In-person in LM-070

Thursday, April 25, 2024
8:30 a.m.