

**University Faculty Senate
Medical Center Caucus**

Agenda and Minutes of Monthly Caucus Meeting, Tuesday March 4th, 2014

Members present: Mark Danielsen, Mary Ann Dutton, Daniel Djakiew, Ladan Eshkevari, Rebecca Evangelista, Robert Glazer, George Luta, Eileen Moore, Prosper N’Gouemo, Cesar Santos, Ken Tercyak, Miriam Toporowicz, Scott Turner, Rhonda Friedman, Pamela Saunders, Andrea Singer, Maria Luisa Marquez, Christine Colie, Vanessa Sheppard, Carolyn Ecelbarger

Members absent: Karen Gale

Guests:

Ray Mitchell

Agenda

1. Approval of the minutes from February
2. Q/A with Howard Federoff
3. Other Business

Minutes

Mark Danielsen called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.

- 1) **The minutes for January were approved**
- 2) **Howard Federoff – presentation and Q/A
Gain Share**

The gain-share is a payment from MedStar to Georgetown that is based on the profits of MedStar in the DC area. It is expected that the amount of money received each year from MedStar will fall in 3 to 4 years when the total payments reach a predetermined threshold. Last years gain-share was split into a pseudo endowment, currently yielding 4 to 5%, and a current use fund to be spent out in 5 years. It is hoped that the same formula can be used for this years gain-share. Dr. Federoff thanked caucus members for their letter to Dr. DeGioia supporting the distribution of the gain-share as described above. Dr. Federoff made it clear that such an arrangement was imperative to fund bridge support and to allow future financial planning.

Lombardi Cancer Center Site Visit

Dr. Federoff said that Dr. Weiner and his team did a “spectacular job” and that the cancer center grant will almost definitely be funded. Over 5 years, Georgetown University and MedStar have invested at least \$84 million in Lombardi. The cancer network is now almost mature so that practice income should increase. However, the investment in Lombardi by the university is likely to decrease in the coming years.

Bridge Support

There is continuing need for bridge support. There is also a great capital equipment need. A replacement strategy needs to be implemented to ensure that our capital equipment base does not further erode. Dr. Federoff does not see us as being a massive data center rather that we have targeted efforts such as exome sequencing.

GUMC Budget Advisory Committee

The committee has met once and will meet again in April. The focus will be on faculty compensation. This will involve a detailed analysis of the medical center budget.

MedStar-Georgetown

The Cancer network consists of 3 hospitals, Montgomery General Hospital, Washington Hospital Center, and GUMC. Other hospitals may join in the future. A clinical neuroscience network is under consideration in the areas of neurovascular, movement disorders, and epilepsy. The national rehab hospital is likely to be a partner.

Franklin Square Hospital primary care interactions are under development. The anticipated goals are residencies, additional faculty and one or several clerkship spots.

A better clinical research platform is needed. Discussions are ongoing with MedStar to make the process more user friendly, more efficient. The expectation is that this will grow clinical research at GUMC. This should support the CTSA.

Pediatrics

MedStar and Georgetown would like Pediatrics at Georgetown to be the epicenter of pediatrics within MedStar system wide. A new chair of pediatrics has still not been selected.

New Chairs in Basic Science

Biochemistry and Neuroscience new chairs are needed for departmental reinvigoration. A budget line is needed – perhaps from the MedStar gain-share. Shared main-med faculty appointments have been discussed, a joint med-main chair has not been considered.

3) General Discussion

Early Retirement

A committee has been set up consisting of faculty from Law, Main and Med and representatives of the EVPs. The buyout is not controversial. The phased buyout is under discussion as the current proposal is less than most main campus faculty members currently receive.

Space

Laboratory space does not appear to be limiting but office space does. We should talk to Elliott Crooke to find out what the space situation really is.

Block Grant

Med, Main and Law send money to the university to cover services. From the med campus perspective, there are two main questions. One is whether we are paying our fair share of expenses, and two is whether we get what we actually pay for. The possibility of requesting a block grant audit was discussed. The University services budget is currently under review with a goal of reducing costs by 5%.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 pm