Department of Microbiology, Immunology and Pathology
Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, November 18, 2014
Diagnostic Medical Center

Attendees: John Belisle, Gregg Dean, Susan Deines, Greg Ebel, Mary Jackson, Gary Mason, Sandra Quackenbush, Glenn Telling, Becky Trentlage, Jeff Wilusz

Meeting began at 9:07 am

1. Approval of minutes – the minutes from the last meeting were approved.

2. DMIP staff updates
   a. Tammy Taylor’s last day in MIP was November 13th and her position will not be refilled. Susan Rogers and Julie Iven are helping with pre-award while Cathy and Corrine are handling post-award.
   b. Andrea delivered her baby last week and is not planning on coming back to work. Lesley Jones is her replacement. Dr. Dean decided to convert the position to Admin Pro and make it an Executive Assistant position. Lesley will continue to provide administrative assistance to the PTR and Advisory committees. She will also assist Dr. Dean with letters of recommendation, award nominations, alumni events, MIP Pathways, ACVP, the mentoring program and the peer teaching reviews Dr. Pat Cole has launched.
   c. Ida will be taking over the front desk responsibilities and Heidi has already taken over the residency applications.

3. Department Review
   a. Dr. Dean is rethinking the Strategic Plan because he is not seeing clear strategic ideas.
   b. Dr. Belisle suggested having a faculty retreat to complete the Strategic Plan. The retreat would be open to all faculty and would focus on undergraduate education, the graduate program and research.
   c. The best time for the retreat is before classes start or spring break. Dr. Dean is meeting with Cindy Anderson later in the week. He will ask her for recommendations and find out if she could attend the retreat.
   d. The December Advisory Committee meeting may be dedicated to the Department Review and scheduled for a longer time slot.

4. Cluster Hire Initiative
   a. The major goal of this initiative is to recruit creative new faculty in areas that contribute to strategic areas of growth. It is anticipated that 3 new clusters consisting of 5-6 faculty each will be hired in this first call. Proposals are due January 15, 2015.
   b. Dean Stetter has identified 7 top areas, which include One Health and Climate Change.
   c. The committee discussed identifying MIP needs and including the top 5 positions that haven’t been filled.
   d. Dr. Dean will provide more information after he meets with Executive Council.

5. Update on Medical Campus Proposal
a. Dr. Dean met with a group of UC Denver people, Dr. Jeff McCubbin, the Dean of College of Health and Human Sciences and Dr. Alan Rudolph to follow up on the medical campus proposal.
b. The development of a family/rural practice piece seems to be set, although it is probably about 4 years out.
c. The idea is to reduce the time and cost of medical school and train students in areas of need.
d. The program will be for 18 months and taught at CSU; however the curriculum has not been developed yet. CU will grant the degree.

6. Communications/Alumni Opportunities
   a. The winter edition of MIP Pathways is coming out soon. Dr. Dean is always looking for topics, events and potential stories to highlight.
   b. Dr. Jackson suggested organizing a dinner once or twice a year with a discussion topic for alumni to attend.
   c. Dr. Dean mentioned a conference call that he and Dr. Powers had with the Natural Wildlife Health Center. The Natural Wildlife Health Center is looking for a University to partner with. Dr. Dean will keep the committee posted.

7. Program initiative Funds
   a. Dr. Glenn Telling
      i. The committee disapproved the request with a vote of 0 in favor, 7 opposed.
   b. A new process for bridge/seed grants will be implemented in FY16. The committee decided submission for bridge funding should be provided twice a year.

8. Space Requests
   a. Dr. Gonzalez-Juarrero for Storage Cage
      i. The committee recommended approval with a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed.

Meeting ended 10:50 am