

KASISKA COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS (KCHP)

FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL (KCHPFAC)

MINUTES OCTOBER 3, 2008

- KCHPFAC Chair:** Kevin Helgeson
- Members Present:** Robin Pattillo (*Vice Chair*), Laura Tivis (*Boise*), Dave Hachey, Laura McKnight, Dave Martin, Carla Wiggins, Barbara Bain (Guest)
- Absent:** None
- Excused:** Jacque Freudenthal, Janene Willer, Liz Doughty (*Boise – in place of Nicole Hill*)
- Convene:** Beckley Nursing Building Room 333
- Approval of minutes:** Minutes from the September 12, 2008 meeting were approved without revisions.

Old Business:

1. By-Laws:
 - a. Have been sent to the dean. Nicole to check on progress of college wide vote to approve the by-laws.

ACTION: Kevin trying to locate a more recent version, when he finds it, it will be resent to all members of KCHPFAC

2. College committees and council webpage

ACTIONS: Invite a faculty senate representative to each of our meetings; Kevin will send out a second notice for Curriculum Council and contact Linda Rankin to have minutes posted (including all members posted)

3. Dean's report - None

New Business

1. Barbara Bain – Coordinator of Research Mentoring Program for KCHP
 - a. Program initiated in 2004 with 2 major goals
 - i. Encourage and assist faculty in research and scholarly activity
 - ii. Ensure program was in fact a research project itself

- b. Assessment needs survey at initiation of program
 - i. KCHP Faculty were surveyed with 37 responses (~30%) which indicated heavy teaching loads and lack of time were big barriers for Clinical faculty in conducting research
 - ii. Also looked at baseline data from 2002-2004 to abstract information about current research that was occurring within the College
 - iii. Data was summarized and compared to the last several years and data suggest that there is a slight increase in research and scholarly activity
 - 1. Unsure whether this is due to better data collection or more research or scholarly activity going on
- c. Other ongoing activities
 - i. Online research directory (excluding IRH)
 - 1. Goal is to accrue data from 2005-2010 and post ongoing research so faculty might see what others are conducting research in various areas
 - 2. Activities will be broken down based on activity types such as grants, book chapters, etc...

ACTION: Ideas generated about targeting each department specifically to isolate needs and give direction. Other thoughts included taking smaller steps initially and have a positive view of research regardless of size of grant or if it's funded or not. Additionally, suggestions included matching faculty who want to do research to those currently doing research to help initiate the process

Barbara stated that she is willing to meet with individuals and departments personally to discuss options that constitute "research" or "scholarly activity". Barbara will also speak with Dean Hatzenbeuhler to bring concerns addressed today and discuss other avenues the College can utilize to promote research and assist faculty.

- 2. Sabbatical Applications
 - a. Two applications for sabbaticals were handed out and will be discussed at the next meeting.
- 3. Presidents Forum
 - a. Discussion surrounded the President's comments last week and if KCHPFAC wanted to pursue an avenue to further discuss this. It was suggested to ask the Faculty Senators to bring this issue up.

Next meeting will be the sabbatical review on the 17th, both at 8:30 A.M.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:00 A.M.