

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

December 13, 2024

7:30 a.m.

Members Present: Brad Britigan, Sam Bierner, Matt DeVries, Sheila Ellis, Chuck Enke, Karen Gould, Jeff Harrison, Zahid Iqbal, Dwight Jones, Trek Langenhan, Kim Latacha, Steve Lisco, Lyn Mack, Travis McCumber, Rob Messbarger, Kody Moffatt, Matt Rizzo, Deb Romberger, Olabisi Sheppard, Mo Shukry, Carl Smith

Ad Hoc: Chandra Are, Shirley Delair, Nada Fadul, Mike McGlade, Geoff Talmon

1. Welcome (Dr. Britigan)
Dr. Britigan welcomed the group to the December Meeting
2. Approval of September 13, 2024 Minutes and Announcements
Minutes were unanimously approved

Dr Britigan announced that that the chair searches, admissions, the match process, and plans for the Kearney campus are moving forward as expected.

3. Informational Items and Announcements (if needed)
 - Admissions and Student Affairs Wendy Grant, MD
No Update
 - Undergraduate Curriculum Geoff Talmon, MD
Dr. Talmon provided an update on the Extracurricular Program Oversight Committee (EPOC). Since last presented to Faculty Council, the AOQC recommended adding oversight of the MSSRP and Kearney Community Leadership Program under the Committee's charge which was presented. Dr. Talmon will solicit volunteers to serve from the general faculty, abiding by COM bylaws in future years as the Committee transitions from ad hoc to standing in revisions to that document
 - Office of Inclusive Excellence and Community Engagement Shirley Delair, MD
 1. Introduce our office: Office of Strategic Initiatives (OSI) to align with the mission of the college of medicine and the NU system.
 2. Introduce the Collaborative Environment and Engagement Committee (CEEC) for approval to Faculty Council to also align with the mission of the college of medicine and the NU system.

The vote regarding the change in the DEI committee name to Collaborative Environment and Engagement Committee (CEEC) was unanimously approved by Faculty Council.

The work of OSI and CEEC will be structured to align with the foundational pillars of the NU system

Extraordinary Teaching and Learning: Advancing innovative, inclusive and impactful educational experiences for all students.

Extraordinary Research and Creative Activity: Fostering discovery and innovation that address critical challenges and unlock new opportunities.

Extraordinary Partnerships and Engagement: Creating impacts across our state, nation and world that result in positive rural and urban outcomes.

Extraordinary Culture and Environment: Cultivating a supportive, inclusive and dynamic community where every individual can thrive.

Extraordinary Stewardship and Effectiveness: Leveraging our resources wisely to achieve sustainable and far-reaching impact.

3. Share a new initiative we are working on: learning communities for our medical students.

A group of 9 medical students representative of all 3 phases, student groups and student class leadership met with our office with a facilitator to strategize developing learning communities at our college. The event was a success with the students feeling that this could be a great way to have a more collaborative and supportive learning environment. We have an upcoming session to develop the details of the time and activities for the learning communities, which will happen next month. A report of these planning meetings will be shared with the Dean and the Office of OME for feasibility in implementation for the upcoming academic year.

- GME Chandra Are, MBBS
 1. Ob/ Gyn is trying a new platform for residency interviews/ Emergency Medicine maybe join next year.
 2. Some immigration rules have changed. Please reach out to us ahead of time if you have any candidates with visa issues.
 3. We are actively promoting rural rotations for house officers. More to come.

- Kearney Robert Messbarger, MD

Dr. Talmon provided an update on Kearney planning in Dr. Messbarger's stead. Current efforts are to develop outward facing public relations materials, recruit additional leaders (e.g., Executive Director and Assistant Dean), and begin the process of clinical site recruitment.

- Faculty Affairs Nada Fadul, MBBS
 1. Suzanne Haney will be joining the Office of Faculty Affairs as Assistant Dean for Faculty Development Starting February 1st
 2. I am completing a listening tour, meeting with department chairs and other leaders at the COM, Nebraska Medicine and Children's to identify priorities for the office
 3. I am also working on other office activities, including the College of Medicine Bylaws and COM Strategic Plan.

- Research Howard Fox, MD, PhD

Not in attendance

- Clinical Affairs/Nebraska Medicine Steve Lisco, MD

Dyna Med X update:
Work has begun on a trial to evaluate the point-of-care reference by EBSCO "Dyna Med X" as a potential replacement for Up to Date. The reason for the evaluation is that DynaMedX has an AI natural language search engine that could be a time saver for busy clinicians using the tool clinically. An ad hoc team has been set up to oversee the trial period after approval by MGEC. It will involve 110 individual trial licenses. Included in the trial, which will last approximately 6 weeks and is tentatively targeted to begin in mid-January. Similar to UpToDate, DynaMedX is fully compatible with EPIC. Several large health systems have made this conversion to date and we have discussed the mechanics of that conversion with those leaders. This includes Advocate Aurora, parent health system for Wake Health. Chairs will be asked to supply names of those

frequent users of UpToDate so receive trial versions if interested. More information to come in the next 30 days or so.

- Pediatric Affairs/CSP/Children's Hospital
Not in attendance

Kari Simonsen, MD

- COM Business Affairs
No Update

Mike McGlade

4. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bradley Britigan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bradley Britigan
Dean, COM