

## Minutes

### UW School of Medicine and Public Health (SMPH) Oversight and Advisory Committee 1:00 PM, September 19, 2007 – 4201 HSLC

Members Present: Philip Farrell, Michael Fleming, Meg Gaines, Susan Goelzer, Lorraine Lathen, June Martin Perry, Douglas Mormann, Gregory Nycz, Susan Riesch (phone)

Staff: Cathy Frey, Ken Mount, Tonya Paulson, Eileen Smith, Karla Thompson

Invited Guests: Paul DeLuca, Charles Hoornstra

#### 1. Call meeting to order

Goelzer called the meeting to order at 1:05pm.

#### 2. Medical Education and Research Committee (MERC) Update (agenda rearranged)

Goelzer welcomed Paul DeLuca who was providing a quarterly update on MERC activities. DeLuca encouraged OAC members to attend MERC's Strategic Planning Retreat next week. The agenda includes a presentation by Dean Golden of his vision for the School's transformation, review of MERC's current grant portfolio, a financial overview, and discussion of the planning process for the next Five Year Plan. Part of the discussion will focus on possible joint OAC/MERC initiatives.

DeLuca reported that Dean Golden awarded limited start-up funding for two years for *Development of Human Rights Initiative* to promote human rights and health equity locally and globally. Dr. Florence Chenoweth, former Food and Agriculture (FAO) representative to the United Nations and executive director of the FAO Liaison Office, will lead efforts on campus. In September, MERC approved an implementation award for the *Wisconsin Network for Health Research* (WiNHR). Also, the UW Institute for Clinical and Translational Research, which received MERC funding in 2006, was awarded a \$41 million Clinical and Translational Research Award over the next five years from the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

#### 3. Approval of minutes

Gaines moved approval of the June 6, 2007 Special Initiative Subcommittee minutes. Martin Perry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Nycz moved approval of the June 20, 2007 OAC minutes. Mormann seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Gaines moved approval of the July 9, 2007 OAC Special Initiative Subcommittee minutes. Fleming seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mormann moved approval of the July 18, 2007 OAC minutes. Farrell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mormann moved approval of the September 13, 2007 OAC Executive Committee minutes. Martin Perry seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **4. Announcements**

Smith reported that Dean Golden held three feedback sessions following the release of *Transforming the School of Medicine and Public Health: The Strategic Plan*. Smith and Goelzer participated with the blue ribbon panel which met to discuss the document. Smith provided an overview of the session. Dean Golden anticipates that a revised document will be available at the end of the year. Additional town meetings will be scheduled to ensure further input. OAC members unable to attend the earlier sessions are encouraged to attend.

The revised 2007 OAC meeting schedule was distributed. Goelzer encouraged members to attend the MERC Strategic Planning Retreat on September 25. She added that a special conference call of the OAC will be held before the joint OAC/MERC meeting on October 24. OAC discussed the 2008 meeting schedule and agreed to continue meeting from 1-4pm on the third Wednesday of each month. A joint meeting of the OAC and the MCW Consortium will take place in February. Mormann requested that discussion of the 2009 schedule take place in July of 2008.

The Wisconsin United for Health Foundation, Inc. (WUHF) will meet on September 20 to vote on its future status and on transferring the remaining funds to be divided equally between the School of Medicine and Public Health (SMPH) and the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW). There will be an opportunity for comment from interested parties, including the Insurance Commissioner, leadership of the SMPH and MCW, the respective oversight committees of each school, and members of the public. Dean Golden and Susan Goelzer will speak on behalf of the SMPH and the OAC. Farrell, Lathen, Martin Perry, Mormann, and Nycz will represent the OAC at this meeting.

Smith distributed the OAC Conflict of Interest policy and asked members to complete the questionnaire.

Smith encouraged members to review the UW Population Health Institute Report "Impact of Alcohol and Illicit Drug Use in Wisconsin."

#### **5. OAC Special Initiatives Subcommittee Update**

Fleming reported that the OAC Special Initiative Subcommittee met with Dick Aronson earlier today. Aronson gave a consultant progress update on a report to provide guidance to OAC on funding options to address birth outcomes among disparate populations in Wisconsin. Gaines commented that this initiative could evolve into a collaborative OAC/MERC project. Goelzer added that OAC could also collaborate with MCW and DHFS. The Subcommittee will meet in October to discuss suggestions for how Aronson should proceed. An OAC meeting in early-2008 will be dedicated to the presentation of the white paper by Aronson.

## **6. Community-Academic Partnership Fund**

Frey reported that the Community-Academic Partnership Fund received 93 proposals in 2007 – 46 Development and 47 Implementation. Ten applicants submitted similar proposals in prior cycles. Five of the 13 implementation grantees from 2004 submitted proposals in 2007. Frey presented a list of 51 proposed faculty and community-based reviewers with an indication of the organizations or departments for which they work, and their titles, degrees and expertise. Mormann moved approval of the reviewers with the caveat that WPP staff may recruit additional faculty expert reviewers as needed. Fleming seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Goelzer recommended having a full-day meeting in December to ensure ample time to review the proposals. A portion of the November OAC meeting will be dedicated to discussion of OAC’s review process.

## **7. Discuss 2009-2014 Wisconsin Partnership Program Five Year Plan**

Since the timetable for the 2009-2014 WPP Five Year Plan has been accepted by the OAC and the MERC, Goelzer asked for discussion on a number of issues needing resolution before drafting can begin:

### Review WPP Mission and Vision

There was general consensus by OAC that the mission statement should be modified to: “Advance population health in Wisconsin by promoting community-academic partnerships and by supporting research and education”.

### Rollover of existing programs

Goelzer noted that there was general agreement by OAC at the strategic planning meeting to continue the Community-Academic Partnership Fund in concept. She proposed having a joint meeting of the OAC and the Public Health Education and Training (PHET) Subcommittee to discuss the public health education and training initiatives. Mormann stressed that OAC must honor its commitments and that changes can be made later in the next five year plan. Smith clarified that today’s discussion is about continuation of grant categories, not of specific grants.

### Coordination between OAC and MERC

Frey read a section from the Insurance Commissioner’s (IC) Order, “PCHOAC Advisory Report on Education and Medical Research Efforts,” which requires OAC to advise and comment on MERC expenditures. Goelzer noted that this requirement is currently met by approving the Annual Reports, Goelzer and Nycz serving as voting members on MERC and providing monthly updates to OAC, and Paul DeLuca providing quarterly reports to OAC on MERC activities, among others. Gaines emphasized that the IC Order requires OAC to critically analyze MERC’s expenditures. Nycz indicated that there seem to be opportunities for collaboration between OAC and MERC.

Goelzer asked what information would help OAC fulfill its role in advising and commenting on MERC expenditures. Gaines made several suggestions including: having OAC members rotate attending each MERC meeting, preparing a list of questions for MERC at the Joint OAC/MERC meetings, and inviting the MERC Executive Subcommittee to an OAC meeting. Goelzer added

that OAC and MERC could discuss the annual reports at a joint meeting each year. Farrell would like to review the number of graduates from the School who are actively pursuing careers in public health in Wisconsin. Mormann suggested continuing to use Annual Reports to meet the requirement. Nycz recommended reviewing only the strategies of MERC, not specific grants.

#### Relationship to State Health Plan

There was general consensus by OAC to continue to tie the WPP to the State Health Plan. Nycz mentioned that the Five Year Plan may impact development of the State Health Plan 2020.

#### Coordination with Evaluation Plan implementation

Goelzer reported that OAC and MERC approved the Evaluation Plan and that an implementation committee will be made up of Susan Goelzer, Doug Mormann, David Chestnut, Norman Drinkwater, Katharine Lyall, and Maureen Smith. The results of the evaluation will be used to inform the Five Year Plan. Nycz emphasized that the Plan must be written with flexibility to respond to the results of the evaluation.

#### Coordination with SMPH Transformation Plan

Several members submitted written comments in response to Dean Golden's request during the transformation planning feedback sessions. Nycz emphasized that the WPP has been a major driver of the transformation of the School. Goelzer reported that Dean Golden is giving consideration to using OAC as an internal advisory panel.

#### Breadth/depth of statewide health needs assessment

Frey listed several possible data sets for the statewide health needs assessment. Gaines stressed that OAC should not spend too much time assessing what is already known. Nycz agreed and suggested assessing emerging opportunities that may be used to impact what is already known.

#### Endowment spending plan

The endowment spending plan will be discussed at the upcoming MERC Strategic Planning meeting.

#### Legislative Audit Bureau (LAB) audit findings and recommendations

The LAB audit will likely occur in Fall of 2008.

#### Outcomes of MERC strategic planning retreat

Outcomes of the MERC Strategic Planning Retreat will be discussed during the OAC meeting in October.

### **8. Adjournment-Closed Session**

Farrell moved that the meeting go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(e) and (f) "to deliberate... the investing of public funds..." and to "consider financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person

referred to in such histories or data or involved in such problems or investigations.” The meeting will reconvene into open session. Gaines seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Gaines moved that OAC reconvene into open session. Mormann seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## **9. Open Session**

Gaines made a motion ratifying the decision reached in closed session to continue the Milwaukee Birthing Project through the original contractual period ending December 31, 2007.

Nycz seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## **10. Adjourn**

Goelzer adjourned the meeting at 3:55pm.

Recorder, Tonya Paulson

Secretary, Lorraine Lathen