Executive Leadership Committee
Wednesday, October 3, 2018 | 3:00-4:30pm
HPNP Room 4102

Summary

Present: Dr. M. Perri, Dr. A. Blue, Ms. A. Burne, Mr. J. Byatt, Dr. S. Classen, Dr. L. Cottler, Dr. S. Hanson, Mr. K. Jackson, Ms. A. Jaffer, Dr. A. Mainous, Dr. W. McGehee, Dr. S. Nittrous, Dr. J. O’Connell, Dr. P. Qiu, Ms. A. Rao, Dr. T. Sabo-Attwood, Ms. K. Sams, Dr. G. Smith, Ms. J. Sonke, Ms. L. Guidi

1. UF Innovate – Mr. Jim O’Connell, Ms. Zahara Jaffer, Ms. Anita Rao, and Mr. John Byatt
   a. Mr. O’Connell shared that technological endeavors can become commercial successes and that UF Innovate Tech Licensing can assist faculty. UF Innovate would like to be connected with faculty working on intellectual property. Faculty are encouraged to contact their office as soon as possible during research so they can be advised on protections needed. The office can also assist with sponsored research, intellectual property, marketing, and startup options.

2. Public Health and Arts – Ms. Jill Sonke and Ms. Kelley Sams provided information on the partnership of ArtPlace in America with the Center for Arts in Medicine and PHHP. This national initiative was founded to build a connection between the arts and public health. There will be a meeting held on Tuesday, November 6, from 3:00-4:30pm, during which a discussion will be held on how the arts can be used to improve health, wellbeing, health communication, and health equity in the U.S. Dr. Perri will moderate a panel that will drive an interactive conversation surrounding these issues and all are encouraged to attend.

3. Action items follow-up
   a. Community Partnership School – Dr. Cottler shared an update on the collaboration with Howard Bishop Middle School. The group is looking for change makers and students who can engage with the school to show a measurable outcome. They are particularly interested in sustainable initiatives. AP: Those who can participate should contact Dr. Cottler.
   b. Faculty and staff wellness – Dr. Perri shared the college wellness meeting on September 21 was a successful start to the initiative. He further shared that Dr. Sabo-Attwood will be leading the college preventative wellness efforts moving forward. She announced that EGH will be hosting a Dean’s Scholar lecturer, Dr. Donald Rakow, from Cornell who will speak about nature and health. AP: The group should send ideas on the wellness initiative to Dr. Sabo-Attwood.
   c. One-time merit/market payment computation – Dr. Perri reminded the group to send reports with faculty and staff merit levels to Ms. Burne for payment calculations.
   d. Superior Accomplishment Awards – Dr. Perri reminded the group that the deadline for nominations is October 31.
   e. UF Campaign for Charities General Campaign and HPNP Field Day – Mr. Jackson presented information about UFCC and reminded faculty and staff to donate through direct donations or payroll deductions. The Fifth Annual Field Day is Thursday, October
11 in the HPNP Courtyard. Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to register and attend.

4. GSPA’s and GSFA’s – Dr. Hanson shared handouts regarding the differences between GSFA’s and GSPA’s. PHHP has the ability to choose the method of allocation. GSPA requires a match from the College and can be split into two awards. GSFA can be used to supplement other scholarships. The goal is to entice quality graduate students. **AP:** The Chairs should send Dr. Hanson the top two or three metrics so they can be sent to the graduate program.

5. Fall Leadership Retreat – Dr. Hanson reminded the group that the Leadership Retreat will be on Friday, October 19 at Austin Cary. The subject will be proactively planning the future of education.

6. Strategic planning committee reports – Dr. Hanson shared that the Deans recently met and reviewed the four reports. Dr. Cottler shared information from Committee 1, “Creating PhD Funding Opportunities” which generated the idea for a “researcher-initiated cost-share.” This could potentially increase PhD admissions by 20%. Under this plan, the Dean’s Office would cover tuition and the department would split the student’s salary with the researcher. Pros and cons to this model were discussed. **AP:** The Chairs will look at financial implications and how the plan could be tailored at a departmental level. The group will then look at the overall feasibility.

7. Climate survey results – Dr. Blue shared results from the climate survey that faculty and staff participated in over the summer. The results show the overall climate in the college is positive. Dr. Blue asked that Diversity Committee representatives from each department be given the opportunity to share these results at an upcoming department meeting to ask relevant questions that will enable the committee to identify items that should be looked at closer.

8. Enrollment update – Dr. Blue shared a handout that showed that enrollment numbers are up in comparison to last Fall.

9. Research update – Dr. Cottler announced that there will be three FEO submissions from PHHP. She further shared that the CTSA website contains information on the many offerings from the K College. The International Mentoring Association, a worldwide mentorship program, will be hosting their conference at UF in March 2019.

10. Dean’s Scholar visit, Dr. Carissa Slotterback – Dr. Classen shared that OT will be hosting a Dean’s Scholar visitor. Dr. Slotterback’s visit will take place on Thursday, December 6 with lunch from 11:30am-12:30pm, followed by the keynote presentation from 12:30-2:00pm. A conversation circle will occur in the afternoon and Dr. Classen will follow up with chairs to participate.

11. Announcements – All
   a. Dr. Classen shared that OT had two grants funded by the Florida Department of Transportation. Dr. Christine Myers received a $1.2M grant from the Department of Education in collaboration with PT and SLHS. Dr. Zheng Wang was invited to participate in the TIGRR grant-writing series. OT is currently interviewing three faculty candidates.
   b. Dr. Cottler shared that recent graduate Dr. Sadaf Milani received the Laurence G. Branch Doctoral Student Research Award. Dr. Cottler was awarded an R21/R33.
   c. Dr. Sabo-Attwood shared that Dr. Joseph Bisesi received a contract to conduct research into contaminants in pet food. She also shared that her recent trip to South Africa, focusing on women’s empowerment and equality, was a success.
   d. Dr. Blue asked the chairs to remind faculty to enter textbook adoption and grades.
   e. Dr. Hanson reminded the group that the HSC commencement Recognition Ceremony is Friday, December 14 at 7:30pm. She reminded the group to hold the date on their calendars as there will be a need for platform party and marshals.