Minutes of the ASEF-PSOM Executive Council Meeting  
February 6, 2018

Present: Roger Allen (PASEF), Peter Bloch, Fred Frankel, Warren Gefter, Howard Goldfine, Joel Greenberg, Sue Kramer, Ana Lia Obaid, Jon Lindstrom, Anna Meadows, Brian Salzberg, Jim Saunders, Peter Wilding  
Absent: Mike Cancro, William Hanson, Susan Heyner, Rob MacGregor, Jeanne Myers, Yvonne Paterson, Marvin Steinberg, Donald Young

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Details of the speakers for the remaining spring term events were confirmed:
ASEF Luncheon:
Dr. Robert Forster  
April 24 12:00 pm  
Biomedical Research Building room 251  
(title unknown)

ASEF Spring Distinguished Speaker:
Dr. Carl June  
May 2 4:00-6:00 pm  
Jordan Medical Education Center Law Auditorium  
“CAR-T Cells at Penn and Beyond”

Healthy Aging Lecture:
Dr. James Saunders  
March 22 12:00-1:00 pm  
Biomedical Research Building room 252  
“Dealing With Age-Related Hearing Loss”

The ASEF-PASEF Spring Outing remains to be determined. Peter Wilding passed out a list of 8 possibilities. Those present listed their favorite 3 in order, adding other possibilities as they wished, and turned in their votes to Peter Bloch.

At the April 3 meeting of the Executive Council, Andre Jenkins (Director of Academic Computing Services) and Daniel Costantino (Chief Information Security Officer at Penn Medicine) will talk about cyber security.

Joel Greenberg said that May 16 at the Jordan Medical Education Center was chosen for the reception for new retirees. It was unanimously agreed that career summaries would be presented only for those who attended. What else to do remained controversial. Summaries for everyone retiring might be printed or published in the Almanac. The number of retirees might be small this year because of the short time since the event in the fall. One possibility suggested would be to have some speak about having retired
successfully and then done something new and interesting. Other possibilities suggested were to have brief talks from one or two administrators.

Roger Allen reported that PASEF had plans for a panel of three to discuss “A Route to Retirement” on February 28 on the sixth floor of the Van Pelt Library (time unspecified). Another retirement planning meeting will be held April 25 on the second floor of this library (time unspecified). Some folks wanted to hear a presentation from someone now living in a retirement community, but others definitely did not want this.

Jim Saunders reported on actions by the Penn Retirement Committee. This committee is headed by Dr. Paul Rozen from Psychology. It was suggested that he might be invited to speak to us in the future. It has been proposed that the developer Kindal might build a 200-300 unit high rise on or near campus to house both retirees and some younger folks, perhaps graduate students. Kindal would build and manage such a building if feasibility studies were approved, and if the university approved. Kindal has built such things at three other universities, including Stanford. It has built several retirement homes on large suburban campuses in the area. The Penn plan would be for people anxious to live in the city and be near the university health system. City living is not appealing to all. Drexel or Jefferson might be brought in to the deal to attract more people.

Peter Bloch initiated plans for a membership committee for the Executive Council.

Vicki Mulhern reported on university issues. The Dean is starting a new issue on professionalism. These issues will play a role in promotion. Jodie Foster is a psychiatrist and author of a book, The Schmuck in My Office, who runs a committee in the medical system for patients who have complaints of this sort about faculty members. Another committee, “Safety Net,” is concerned with medical safety issues.