

Minutes of the ASEF-PSOM Executive Council Meeting October 11, 2018

Present: Peter Bloch, Lois Evans (PASEF), Jeffrey Field, Fred Frankel, Warren Gefer, Joel Greenberg, Susan Heyner, Jon Lindstrom, Jeanne Myers, Vicki Mulhern (FAPD) Ana Lia Obaid, Yvonne Paterson, Karen Shala (FAPD), Peter Wilding.

Absent: Judith Aronchik, Mike Cancro, Howard Goldfine, William Hansen, Sue Kramer, Rob MacGregor, Anna Meadows, Brian Salzberg, Marvin Steinberg, Donald Young

Greenberg called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. Minutes of the September 13, ASEF Executive Council meeting were approved. Since several members were not present, the group photograph will be taken at a later meeting.

Programs and Special Events: in the absence of Sue Kramer, Yvonne Paterson told the Council that she has identified a speaker for the *Healthy Aging* series: Ramin Herat, M.D., Ph.D. He is particularly interested in vaccination in the elderly and the role of follicular helper T cells and how they are affected by aging. This should be of interest to many, especially in the light of the new shingles vaccine. Gefer suggested Harvey Rubin as the *Special Lecture* speaker in the spring, endorsed by Paterson. Rubin has an extensive vaccination program in several African counties and has harnessed modern technology for communication as well as tapping into cell phone towers to keep vaccines cool. Any other suggestions for a speaker should be sent to Greenberg or Wilding; Paterson suggested sending out an email to solicit suggestions.

Luncheon seminars; although Aronchik and Salzberg are travelling, they have been in contact and plan to meet with Gefer and Gail Morrison when they return. They will ask Morrison for suggestions for speakers from the faculty. Salzberg suggested a talk by Kevin Mahoney describing progress on the new hospital pavilion. The Committee will review the untapped short list of potential speakers as well as others they may come up with. It is important to get names to Gefer by November 15 in order to secure good venues. Paterson inquired if there is money for speaker expenses; Shala said there is. Wilding asked about honoraria, and Evans told him that PASEF gives a gift to their speakers.

Greenberg stressed that we need to advertise more, but Shala told him our programs are all on the School's screens.

Report on AROHE meeting: Greenerg and Wilding both attended because Wilding is President-elect and AROHE is held every two years and would miss the experience in 2019. Greenberg reported on the scope of AROHE and said that there are wide variations in membership and scope. However, those groups that have both staff and faculty members tend to be larger, more wealthy and more effective. Wilding commented that our weakness is lack of participation; it is not enough just to have a web page, many send out printed material. He then said that Belmont was present (a retirement organization similar to Kendal) and they presented a slide show. However, their approach is rental rather than buy-in and this information should be conveyed to the Penn-Kendal group.

Space and facilities: Goldfine wanted Council to know that there is a lot of empty space in the Biomedical Library. Originally intended for another use, it is now lying fallow. Discussion on space and how libraries have changed followed.

PASEF: Evans reported that the joint fall outing is to the Constitution Center on October 24, and there will be a docent to guide the group through the Hamilton exhibit. November 1 will feature a panel discussion about CCRC's from four panelists who are currently residing in one. Thursday November 15 will feature a library committee presentation; a panel discussion on scientific publication and journal 'packages'.

Medical School updates: Mulhern told Council that the full-time faculty now numbers more than 2,300. Changes in the promotion criteria for the AC track are being implemented. The University has now incorporated a maximum of four weeks of paid parental leave to eligible faculty and staff following the birth or adoption of a child.. Dean Jameson, Kevin Mahoney and Ralph Muller have initiated a professionalism initiative , and 161 faculty members have been promoted.

Other Business: Wilding asked about progress on Retirement Communities. Evans told him that Paul Rozin is working on updating

the list earlier compiled by ASEF and would welcome any assistance.
The December party will be on the 20th, preceded by a Council meeting.
The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
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