

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee

SUNY-Downstate College of Medicine

July 12, 2021

Attendees: R. Viswanathan, M. Nowakowski, C. Persaud, R. Gupta, S. Rabinowitz, S. Marquez, J. Lazar, A. Schwartzman,

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Viswanathan; June 2021 and semiannual minutes were approved with revisions.

Subcommittees Reports

Dr. Viswanathan reported it on behalf of Dr. Sidiqi. Angela Melton-Taylor stated she is looking for a date to start the election. Ballots and bio-sketch have been sent to the voting company votenow.com. The election will begin on July 21, 2021, and ends on August 4, 2021.

Academic Integrity and Professionalism

Dr. Viswanathan stated that there were issues with faculty members regarding academic Integrity and professionalism. This issue has been brought up with officials. Due to this inquiry, details remain confidential. Dr. Viswanathan announced that the Dean created an ad hoc committee to investigate these faculty members. Dr. Viswanathan presented the ad hoc committee members and asked the Executive Committee to approve them. The Executive Committee discussed supporting the ad hoc members. Dr. Nowakowski suggested at this time, the Executive Committee should approve this request. In the future, if a need arises for another ad hoc committee to consider professionalism and academic integrity methods, the Executive committee should be consulted. The committee approved Dr. Nowakowski's suggestion.

Dr. Rabinowitz stated the committee would be examining protocols on other SUNY campuses. The committee also discussed creating a website. This website will contain all of the protocols and Resources.

Student Promotions

Dr. Viswanathan stated that the committee was looking for new members and asked the members of the Executive Committee to email suggestions to him.

CEPC

The committee met for the last time for the academic year, and they have a list of new members. One of the discussed items was trying to generate a master list of research mentors for clinical and basic science projects in research for medical students because this is an urgent need. The second issue is the continued efforts to seek and find financial support for those medical student research projects. The committee discussed this with the Alumni Association, which expressed some interest. Also, there has been a difficulty with identifying medical student representatives.

New Business

There was a discussion regarding the SUNY Chancellor and back-to-school teaching.