

**Minutes of the meeting of the  
Executive Committee**  
SUNY-Downstate College of Medicine  
April 7, 2014

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**Present: R. Joks, S. Eisner, R. Twersky, P. Maccabee, M. Hammerschlag, D. Lemke, A. Norin, V. Anderson, R. Kollmar, H. Siddiqi, M. Foley, R. Viswanathan, H. Durkin, M. Feuerman**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Rauno Joks; minutes were approved.

**Presiding Officer's Report:**

Dr. Joks stated that the President and the Dean asked Dr. Joks to hold off on submitting the NY Times Op-Ed letter.

Dr. Joks stated that the Semi Annual Meeting should be a joint meeting with the Centerwide Committee. A. Melton has reserved LH1A for May 7 and May 14. Dr. Joks feels that LH1A might be small and asked to use another location A. Melton will try to reserve another room and will contact the President and Dean's office to invite them. She will also invite other members from the Centerwide Committee

The Executive Committee will hold its annual election this spring. A. Melton stated that the Executive Committee election would run concurrently with the Centerwide Committee's election. Dr. Joks stated that he was fine with having elections running concurrently. Dr. Norin suggested that the Executive Committee should invite the President of UUP to the Semi-Annual meeting. Dr. Joks requested a name and contact person so he can send an email when there is a confirmed date. Dr. Anderson offered to contact the campus President of UUP for more information.

Dr. Anderson reported that she attended the NYSUT RA. She also reported that the President of NYSUT and some members of his cabinet were not re-elected.

Dr. Anderson stated there would be two vacant seats for the Faculty Senate. She stressed that it was important to elect members to the Senate to represent Downstate in Albany. Dr. Joke asked Dr. Anderson to email him a copy of the job description for the Faculty Senators. Dr. Anderson suggested that the Executive Committee invite Ed Feldman from Stonybrook to a meeting in the future to discuss the Faculty Senate.

Dr. Anderson reported that she is going to Albany for the Voices of SUNY conference on April 23, 2014. She will present a report of this conference at the next Executive Committee meeting. Dr. Joks asked Dr. Anderson if this conference can be telecast so Downstate members can see it. Dr. Anderson said she will investigate.

Dr. Anderson reported that the chair of Pathology will leave at the end of May 2014 and the two vice-chairs will leave at the end of June 2014. As of today, there are no reports of a replacement. Dr. Norin stated that there has been no announcement of a search committee for chair of Pathology. Also there has been no announcement of replacements for vice-chairs.

Dr. Hammerschlag reported that ENT is taking their most complicated cases to New York Methodist Hospital because there is no Pediatric Anesthesiologist at Downstate.

Dr. Siddiqi reported that students did not perform well in the Clinical Exam. He has requested the data for the previous 2 years to make a comparison. Dr. Norin suggested that CEPC should request this information. Dr. Eisner said that she would look into it. Dr. Feuerman suggested that the Executive Committee should request a recap of the performance of the 4<sup>th</sup> year class.

Respectfully submitted,

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