

Minutes for the Medical Faculty Executive Committee (MFEC)

Meeting

February 8, 2010

8:00-9:30am.

Corporation Room, University Hall

Present: Suzanne de la Monte, Chair, James Gilchrist, Deidre Fearon, Francois Luks, Leslie Robinson-Bostom, Maureen Chung, Michele Cyr, Glenn Tung, Mike Stein, Joe Diaz, Colin Harrington, Paul DiSilvestro, Angela Anderson, Cynthia Loncar, Zeev Harel, Timothy Flanagan, Iris Tong, Craig Ebersson

The meeting began at 8:05a.m., Chair Suzanne de la Monte presiding. Welcome to all and an invitation to join in breakfast. The December 14, 2009 minutes were approved.

Dean Wing reviewed his priorities as Dean: 1) get medical school built; 2) establish a robust relationship with Lifespan hospitals. The medical school building will be located at 222 Richmond St, in the heart of the Jewelry District. The building, constructed in 1928, does not yet have a name. The remodeling of 222 Richmond will have Design built construction in which the contracting company has full authority with regard to operations, and is based on a scheduled time frame for completing the work for a fixed amount of money. Timeline: April 26th is scheduled as the demolition ceremony date. August, 2011-construction is expected to have been completed.

Key design features: Once the old sections of I-195 have been demolished, the medical school will be visible from the Brown campus and the Rhode Island Hospital. A large atrium spans the first floor from the Richmond St to Eddy St. sides of the building on the 1st floor. The first floor will also have a library and high-tech education center, 2 large auditoriums, a number of small classrooms and meeting rooms, and a commercial café. There will be public access to the café, but the public will not have access to the medical education building. Space has been allotted for three academies, each accommodating approximately 40 students. Academies are intended to improve mentoring, student development, student bonding, social networking, and studying, mainly in the preclinical years. There will be a 3rd floor-anatomy suite and rooms for case studies and clinical skills.

Other points: School of Engineering will be located nearby. Expectation is that Biotech companies will establish roots in the same area, which could lead to cross-fertilization of ideas; the close proximity of the Ship St, Claverick St, Kilguss, and Coro buildings will facilitate student participation in research at various levels. A parking garage, owned by Brown, will solve parking problems for students and teaching faculty. A new trolley route from the medical school to the hospital and Brown campuses will be established. This will eliminate the need for the current 3-4 shuttle bus services.

Current medical school class: N=96; 50% PLME; 50%-conventional entrance. Target enrollment is 120, only possible with expansion of facilities. The medical school building will serve purposes beyond direct medical student education, e.g. CME courses, community medical education and faculty development programs. Temporary space will be available for medical

teaching faculty. Approximately \$20,000,000 must be raised to complete construction. Major fund raising through the Dean's office is planned.

Meeting closed at 9:15a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Moorehead
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Office of Faculty Governance