

## Medical Faculty Executive Committee

### Minutes

April 10, 2006

#### **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m.

Present: Bill Rakowski, Joseph Diaz, John Murphy, Amy Salisbury, Jim Padbury, Jody Rich, Robert Smith, Eduardo Nillni, Sharon Rounds, Jane Eisen, Cynthia Jackson, Douglas Hixson, and Bruce Becker.

1. Minutes of March 13, 2006 were unanimously approved.
2. Chair's Remarks  
Final revisions to the MFEC charge discussed and adopted, a final version is ready for the FEC's review. MFEC chair to provide feedback on search for a new Provost.
3. Cliff Hirshman: Director of Information Technology of the Medical School reported to the MFEC:
  - A. IT barriers addressed for coordination of research with Lifespan
  - B. Downloading software fought by agreements with MicroSoft. Teaching hospitals are not considered, "academic", restricts MicroSoft software.
  - C. Non-Brown Faculty unable to access software
  - D. Some UPN does allow some download, no network yet for users.
  - E. Email alert via Dean Adashi for access to SSI-UPN
  - F. Email addresses easy forwarding from Eudora, all moving over to Outlook Express
  - G. File transfers: no technical barriers reported, traditional FTP files works for large files, Brown website accessible from Lifespan.
4. Report from Bookstore Committee, Walter Hunter and Brendan McNally. The one year old committee:
  - A. Reviewed college bookstore industry in general
  - B. Visited other peer institution bookstores
  - C. Noted strong community support for the bookstore
  - D. Present bookstore has no mission statement or global vision but excels at responses to individual requests.

Proposals before the MFEC:

Final amendments to the MFEC Charge, approved  
Ballot B approved from Nominations, approved

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by  
Leonard Moorehead, Secretary to the MFEC