SMHS Bylaws Committee  
September 17, 2017, 3:00pm  
SMHS Room E421, Video to Fargo, and Phone

In Attendance: Drs. Thad Rosenberger, Patrick Carr, Kim Becker, Min Wu, Jeanie McHugo (phone), Stephen Tinguely (video), Jay MacGregor (video), and Judy Solberg and Jeanette Gratton  
Absent: Cindy Janssen and Breann Lamborn

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<td>Call to Order: Kim Becker</td>
<td>Meeting was called to order by designee Dr. Becker. Introductions were made.</td>
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<td>Election of Chair</td>
<td>Dr. Becker called for nominations for chair. Dr. Wu self-nominated. No objections or other nominations.</td>
<td>Dr. Wu’s self-nominated for chair was seconded by Dr. Carr. Unanimously elected.</td>
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| MSAPC: Document submitted by Dr. Joycelyn Dorscher | Dr. Tinguely inquired about MSAPC proposed changed from Dr. Dorsch. If the Bylaws approves this change it would go forward to FAC. There was concern raised that this document didn’t come from a standing committee. It was not clear what the change was and what the reasoning is. The committee felt the change request should be made more clear with what the changes are and why they are requesting this change. The request should come from the chair of the committee and not the advisor. | Motion by Dr. Carr to direct this to MSAPC for deliberation and rewording to include what the change is and why it is requested, then MSAPC can resubmit to Bylaws for review, seconded by Dr. Tinguely. Motion passed unanimously. In progress  
*Judy Solberg has sent back to Dr. Dorsch for clarification or modification.* |
| Research Committee: Student representation | Discussed student representation on the Research Committee and if they should be voting members. Students approached Dr. Jim Porter after Frank Lowe Research day about active participation on the committee. Dr. Wu discussed the benefits of having student input on the research committee. The Research Committee purposed the following addition to bylaws: | Dr. Rosenberger made a motion to table this discussion and return the document to the research committee to better categorize and define the graduate students and choose a selection process. Seconded by Dr. MacGregor. Motion passed unanimously. |
3. Voting Student Membership: The voting student membership of the Committee shall be three members, who have research activity.
   a. One member nominated and elected from the Graduate Students
   b. One member nominated and elected from the Medical Students
   c. One member nominated and elected from the Health Sciences

Dr. Rosenberger discussed these changes. It needs to be clear of who the graduate student is, from what student body, as well as the Health Sciences student. Discussed the benefit of having these nominated by department chairs and appointed rather than an election. Discussed what requirements should be met, besides research activity, for nominees.

Discussed the procedures for changes to Bylaws.

Dr. Wu will meet with persons bringing requested changes to bylaws, in this case, Dr. Jim Porter.
In progress

Dr. Wu has discussed this matter with the chair of Res Committee, Dr. Geiger. Dr. Wu then met the student representative Moriah Hovde who has put together this proposal. Moriah volunteered to participate in running of Frank Low Research Day for this year and would like to have formal membership in Res Committee in future, representing basic sciences (biomedical graduate students and translational students have already interacted before, one representative is sufficient), medical students and allied health. Also, all student bodies (i.e., BGSA) have mechanisms to elect their committee membership.

Dr. Wu will meet with the chair of FAC, Dr. Andrew McLean, to review the process of requested changes to Bylaws.
In progress,

Dr. Wu and Judy have had a phone conference with Dr. Mclean on 1:30PM October 17. Both Chairs and Judy agreed that communication may be increased to make sure job done right in the future.

Adjournment: 4:38pm

Next meeting is December 8, 2017, 2:00 PM

Min Wu, Ph.D., Chair

Date 12.8.2017