

Minutes of Steering Committee Meeting October 9, 2003

Members in attendance: Debbie Daniels (Chair), Perri Cagle (Past Chair), Denise Gobert, Wen Liu, Lou Loescher-Junge, Patricia Pohl, Neena Sharma

The meeting was called to order at 12:05.

Minutes of the September 11, 2003 meeting were accepted as written.

Standing committee reports:

Academic Affairs: no report

Appointments, Promotion and Tenure: no report. It is unclear who chairs this committee this academic year. Debbie Daniels will email all members of the APT committee and invite them to send a representative to the steering committee meetings.

Diversity: Lou presented the report from Ken Davis. The Diversity committee met on September 30th with representatives from the Multicultural Scholars Programs at KU. They also met with members of the Health Professions Pipeline Initiative (HPPI). There are visits to two elementary schools in the near future. Ken will send out an email recruiting faculty to help with these visits.

Elections: no report

Research: There were 3 candidates submitted from the SAH to the SAH research committee for the faculty research award. The committee met and ranked these 3 applications and forwarded their decision to the university research committee. Wen reported that to date he has not received any applications for the Shared Equipment Grant. The deadline is October 10, 2003. Wen will send out an email to remind the SAH faculty.

Professional Development: Denise reported that the committee met on October 8, 2003. They have 4 new committee members, 2 faculty and 2 students. October 30th they are sponsoring a workshop presented by the Writing Center at KU Lawrence. The topic is, "Effective strategies in helping students improve writing skills." This topic was chosen as a result of the survey. The main area of interest reported in the surveys was improving teaching skills.

Administrative Council: Lou asked if the SAH needed to sponsor a meeting about the parking situation and plans at KUMC. In light of the recent published reports, the committee did not feel this was necessary.

Lou has met with the administrative official from the hospital in charge of allied health activities. November 2-8 is Allied Health Week. We will co-sponsor events for that week. The chairs will be notified to find representatives from their departments to work with their counterparts from the hospital. Plans for the week will be developed. One event already being organized is an ice cream social with an informal poster session.

Old Business: none

New Business: Lou informed us that the Dean's office has been interviewing individuals for the SAH recruiting position. A decision will be made this Fall. We also discussed changing the date of a future meeting to provide an opportunity for the Dean to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30.