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Health Sciences Committee Meeting | July 17, 2014

Agenda

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   2. Laupus Library Director Search
   3. Interprofessional Education & Practice Activities
   4. Health Sciences Research Council Activities

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   2. ECU Physicians Financial Performance Update – Dr. Rick Niswander
   3. Progress on Implementation of Hunter Partner’s Report – Dr. Phyllis Horns
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B. College of Nursing

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Call to Order and Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Deborah Davis called the meeting to order in the absence of Chair Steve Jones. Ms. Davis read the conflict of interest statement required by the State Government Ethics Act. No conflicts were identified. The minutes of the February 13, 2014 were approved as distributed.
Brody School of Medicine Updates:

Dr. Elizabeth Baxley reported that the LCME voted to end the status of “warning” and continue accreditation of the medical educational program leading to the MD degree at the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University for the balance of the eight-year term. The next full survey will take place during the 2019-2020 academic year.

Mr. Brian Jowers gave a legislative update reporting that over the last several weeks he and Michelle Brooks have met with members of the NC House and Senate to discuss SODCA and UPL issues. New language has been proposed to clarify the legislative intent with respect to the UPL. The proposed language has been well received to date. More visits are planned and additional work is needed to address the SODCA issue. He also gave an update on the Hunter Partners report priorities. Among the top items being enacted from this report are:

1) a productivity-based clinical faculty compensation model that was approved recently by the BOG
2) reduce clinical staff in some areas
3) increase patient volume and flow through clinics
4) reduce expenses not directly related to clinical productivity
5) discontinue some financially challenged clinical services

Mr. Jowers also reported that revenues of ECU-P are behind budget due in part to NC Tracks delays in reimbursements for Medicaid, loss of SODCA funds and contract revenues below budget. ECU-P expenses are on budget.

Dr. Cunningham and Dr. Benson reported on Hospital Relations, specifically current discussions on integration of selected clinical services, i.e. Cancer, Neurosurgery, and CVS. Partnering with the hospital on development of an ACO is also being discussed.

Division Updates:

- The SODM Clinical Service Learning Center ribbon cutting in Lillington was held March 24th. The announcement of the eighth SODM Clinical Service Learning Center in Brunswick County will be in mid-May. Four Clinical Service Learning Centers are still under construction.
- The College of Allied Health Sciences Dean Search is underway. On campus interviews will occur in early June. Baker and Associates search firm has been engaged to assist with the search process. Dr. Greg Hassler will chair the search process.
- The Laupus Library Director search is underway with the first organizational meeting scheduled for May. Dr. Steve Thomas will chair the search process. Dr. Richard Eakin has assumed the position of Interim Associate Vice Chancellor for Alumni Relations. Dr. Gregg Hassler will assume the position of Interim Director of Laupus Library.
• Programs in the Health Sciences Divisions remain in high demand with more qualified applicants that we can accept. Student performance outcomes are excellent.

**Action:** A motion was made by Ms. Carol Mabe that the Health Sciences Committee go into closed session:

1. to prevent the disclosure of confidential information under N.C. General Statues §126-22 to §126-30 (personnel information) and the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; and
2. to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, or appointment of prospective and/or current employees and/or to hear or investigate a complaint or grievance by or against one or more employees.

**Action:** Motion passed.

The committee reviewed and approved the initial appointment with tenure for Dr. Patricia Crane in the College of Nursing and the Health Sciences Division recommendations for promotion and tenure for faculty members in the Division as approved by the Chancellor and presented in the Board materials.

**Action:** A motion was made by Acting Chair, Ms. Deborah Davis to go back into open session. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.
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**July 17, 2014**

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Dr. Phyllis Horns, Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences

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Following is the Health Sciences Division Board of Trustees update from the College of Allied Health Sciences (CAHS) since the April 24, 2014 meeting.

Dean Stephen Thomas has extended his deadline for retirement to October 31, 2014, to accommodate the search for a new Allied Health dean.

**College of Allied Health Sciences**  
**News April 2014-June 2014**

Amini Receives Highest Honor from National American Occupational Therapy Association

Debbie Amini, EdD, OTR/L, CHT, FAOTA from the Department of Occupational Therapy received the Roster of Fellows from the National American Occupational Therapy Association. This award is one of the highest awards given by the Association and she joins an elite group of therapists who are recognized for their contributions to the Association. Dr. Amini was also awarded a 2014 AOTA Service Commendation for her work as Chairperson of the AOTA Commission on Practice from 2011-2014 and as a member of the Representative Assembly from 2011-2014.

OT to sponsor "Novel Approaches in Occupational Therapy Practice" symposium

The Department of Occupational Therapy sponsored the annual symposium entitled "Novel Approaches in Occupational Therapy Practice" May 1 at the East Carolina Heart Institute. The symposium provided an opportunity for occupational therapy practitioners, students, consumers of occupational therapy services, and other human service providers to gather ideas and information on current and future practice trends and professional issues in occupational therapy. Graduate occupational therapy students were also are given the opportunity to present the results of their graduate research and innovative service delivery projects.

Navigate Counseling Team Volunteers with American Red Cross during Eastern NC Tornadoes

Navigate Counseling Clinic's Red Cross-Ready When the Time Comes volunteers, Vanessa Perry and Dr. Leigh Atherton, responded to areas in Eastern North Carolina affected by tornadoes in late April. The call came early Saturday morning and Perry and Atherton were quickly on scene to provide Disaster Mental Health services. They worked alongside other Red Cross volunteers to provide assistance to families displaced due to the storm.
Doctoral Students’ Poster Awarded
Doctoral students in the Department of Physical Therapy, Danielle Mckinnis and Rachel L. Webb were awarded for their poster “Body Mass and Motor Skill Performance in Children 7-10 Years” as part of ECU’s Research & Creative Achievement Week. The students were mentored by faculty member Dr. Amy Gross McMillan.

State Superintendent Speaks at 2014 Literacy Summit
North Carolina State Superintendent of Public Instruction June Atkinson delivered a keynote address entitled “Student Literacy: Now and in the Future” at the 2014 Interdisciplinary Literacy Summit May 21 in Wright Auditorium. Dr. Atkinson spoke on the changing definition of literacy and the constant evolution of teaching methods, as well as how DPI is trying to meet the needs of every student. Following the keynote address, ECU faculty members and educators from Pitt County Schools participated in several literacy-based challenges. The groups met in Joyner Library to discuss and chart topics such as the different challenges faced in addressing student literacy in preparation for transition to college; how each group would define literacy and what is needed to assess, instruct and research literacy; and what knowledge and skills must be in place for success related to literacy development. The Interdisciplinary Literacy Summit is part of the Barbara Bremer Distinguished Lecture Series funded by Dr. Chris Bremer, professor emeritus of family medicine in the Brody School of Medicine, and his wife, Barbara, a retired speech language pathologist. Through an endowed professorship, the series and summit, Barbara Bremer’s passion for collaboration in literacy and language will continue for decades. The summit was co-sponsored by the Divisions of Academic Affairs and Health Sciences, the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders in the College of Allied Health Sciences and the Walter and Marie Williams STEPP Program.

Perry and Kollara-Sunil research unique clinical population through Cleft Palate Foundation grant
Dr. Jamie Perry, assistant professor, and Lakshmi Kollara-Sunil, a second year doctoral student, both in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, have a newly funded grant from the Cleft Palate Foundation. In their work, they are using dynamic magnetic resonance imaging during speech to examine the musculature in a unique clinical population - 22q11.2 deletion syndrome. This study will represent the first published findings of speech muscles among this clinical population.

• GraduatePrograms.com ranked the college **12th on its list of the top 25 programs nationally**. The online graduate program guide created its rankings based on reviews by students gathered between Sept. 1, 2012 and April 15, 2014. For the complete list and more information, visit [bit.ly/1lb9TGb](http://bit.ly/1lb9TGb).

• The College of Nursing **graduated 238 students** on Friday, May 9. Eighty-five students graduated from either the doctoral program or with master’s degrees or post-master’s certificates in the areas of education, nursing leadership, clinical nurse specialist, anesthesia or midwifery. One hundred and fifty-three students graduated with a bachelor’s degree in nursing, after completing either the four-year curriculum or the program designed for registered nurses pursuing bachelor’s degrees.

• **One hundred percent** of the class of 2014 nurse anesthesia graduates passed the National Certification Examination on first testing.

• Approximately 150 health care professionals from across the state visited the College of Nursing on May 30. CON hosted the WakeMed Health & Hospitals Go SIMple Conference, which featured lectures and training on the use of simulation technology in education. Attendees included nurses, paramedics, doctors and physician assistants. Details at: [http://bit.ly/1kNar0p](http://bit.ly/1kNar0p).

• The East Carolina Association of Nursing Students, or ECANS, was honored as ECU’s **Organization of the Year** at the Student Activities and Organizations banquet on Sunday, May 4. Details at: [http://bit.ly/1kNazgC](http://bit.ly/1kNazgC).

• The college announced two scholarships that will support those who are both CON and ECU Honors College students: the James and Selba Harris Honors Scholarship and the Dorothy Marshall Cummings Nursing Honors Scholarship.

• Dr. Connie Dewees, clinical assistant professor and clinical site coordinator at the East Carolina University College of Nursing, was inducted as a **fellow of the American College of Nurse-Midwives** on May 14.

• The CON launched its **Pirate Nurse Network** at CarolinaEast in New Bern in April. The college kicked off its first Pirate Nurse Network, at Vidant, in 2013.

• The CON and the National Association of Bariatric Nurses co-sponsored **The Many Faces of Bariatric Nursing**, a conference for nursing practitioners to be held in Greenville Thursday, May 1 and Friday, May 2, at the Hilton. Approximately 50 people attended.
Schweitzer Fellowships
First-year students Mark Herring and Brandon Landreth have been selected for the North Carolina Albert Schweitzer Fellows Program for 2014-2015. The Schweitzer program addresses health disparities by developing leaders in service. Under the mentorship of faculty dentists, Herring and Landreth are planning and implementing the Greene Access Program (GAP) to educate elementary school children in Greene County on health, wellness, and oral hygiene practices.

USDA Grant
The School of Dental Medicine has received a grant for $451,955 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Rural Development Division. The Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant will fund the purchase of audio-visual, telemedicine, and collaboration technology at community service learning centers (CSLCs) in Spruce Pine, Robeson County, and Brunswick County, and it will support teleconferencing infrastructure in Ross Hall. The school will receive the funds in the fall of 2014.

Community Service Learning Centers
The school’s eighth community service learning center, which will be built in Brunswick County, was announced at a news conference in Bolivia, N.C., on May 16. The center will be located on U.S. 17 in Bolivia adjacent to the new Novant Health Brunswick Medical Center. Real estate developer Jeff Earp of Brunswick Forest gifted the land for the project. The center is scheduled for completion in the late spring 2015.

Also in May, fourth-year students began rotations at community service learning centers for the first time. Eight students joined faculty dentists, residents, and staff at CSLCs in Ahoskie, Elizabeth City, Lillington, and Sylva. More students will begin rotations at CSLCs throughout the summer and fall. Fourth-year students complete three 8-week rotations at CSLCs. During their rotations, the students will reside in housing funded by Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) across the state.

A Ribbon Cutting and Open House will be held on June 27 for the community service learning center in Sylva. The center will serve residents of Jackson, Haywood, Swain, and surrounding counties. The center’s faculty director, Dr. Robert Manga, has served in several clinical and academic positions, including consultant in general dentistry to the U.S. Army Surgeon General.
Centers in Ahoskie, Elizabeth City, Lillington, and Sylva are providing hands-on experience for students and residents and serving patients daily. Centers in Spruce Pine, Davidson County, and Robeson County will open in 2014. The Brunswick County center will open in late spring 2015.

The CSLC-Sylva began seeing patients in May 2014.

The CSLC-Spruce Pine is scheduled to open in summer 2014.

The CSLC-Davidson County is scheduled to open in summer 2014.

The CSLC-Robeson County is scheduled to open in fall 2014.
During the 2013-2014 academic year:

Laupus and Joyner Libraries collaborated to standardize fees, fines and circulation periods between the two libraries; to add evening and week-end security guards to Laupus; to explore creating one website for equipment loans from both libraries; and to establish a courier service between the libraries which allows users to return items to either library.

Laupus Library Faculty published in a number of prominent journals, including the Journal of the Medical Library Association, the Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries, and Nutrition Today.

Laupus Library successfully partnered with Student Services to sponsor two events - “Food and Fun Break” and “LakeFest” – for students. The Library also collaborated with the ECU Alumni Association to provide students with free coffee three dates during Fall semester 2013.

Laupus Library’s Outreach Services made nine (9) “Healthier U” presentations to a total of fifty six (56) people in Pitt, Beaufort, Martin and Pasquotank counties. These popular presentations intend to provide the public with resources for health information.

Laupus Library’s User Services had a total of 5,001 reference transactions (in person or telephone inquiries and email/chat questions).

Laupus Library’s Collection Services maintained a total of 38,557 journal volumes and 302 electronic journals. It also purchased 587 books and 271 electronic library books.

Laupus History Collections acquired eleven (11) titles from the 19th and 20th centuries. It hosted eight (8) Medical History Interest Group presentations including “The 19th Century Country Doctor,” “The Swedish Swine-Flu Pandemic, Mass Vaccination and the Power of Narratives” and “The History of Syphilis and the Art of Human Inoculations.”

The Friends of Laupus Library’s 2014 membership campaign resulted in fifty eight (58) members – up from thirty four (34) the previous month.

The Country Doctor Museum estimates it hosted a total of 4,240 visitors. The Museum’s digital collection had 6,205 total “hits” to its historical artifacts. A Civil War era amputation kit and a prosthetic leg were among the top “hits.

On June 27th at 6:00, Laupus Library will hold a ceremony to unveil its “Donor Wall” which artfully recognizes all of the gracious benefactors to the Library. All are invited.