

Minutes for the Medical Faculty Executive Committee (MFEC)
Meeting
Monday December 11, 2006

8:00-9:30 am.
Corporation Room, University Hall

Present:

Robert Smith, Chair, Jody Rich, Past Chair, Penny Dennehy, Vice Chair, Cynthia Jackson, Amy Salisbury, Douglas Hixson, Joseph Diaz, Jane Eisen, Michelle Lally, Geoffrey Tremont, Eduardo Nillni, Beth Bock.

The meeting began at 8:00am, Robert Smith, Chair, presiding. Minutes for October and November, 2006, accepted.

Robert Smith reported recent topics discussed at the President's Cabinet including energy conservation efforts, the recent report on Brown and slavery, and developments in the Engineering Dept.

Jody Rich reported that amendments to the MFEC charge were approved at the December Faculty Meeting. They are now incorporated in the Faculty rules and regulations.

Penny Dennehy discussed matters before the Brown Community Council. Primary topics included funding for Graduate students, and socially responsible investment strategies for the Corporation. The Bio Med Strategic Working group is about to make its final report, Bio Med education is a major focus as well as a "bench to bedside" effort to centralize and encourage collaborative research.

General discussion followed regarding graduate student funding.

Cynthia Jackson for the Nominations committee is seeking candidates for the Clinical Educator's track representative on the MFEC.

General discussion followed regarding the relationship of the Medical Faculty to Brown, especially the Main Campus and satellite hospital based Faculty.

Special guest, Flora Keshgegian, Ombudsperson for the Faculty, discussed her new and evolving role with the MFEC.

The meeting closed at 9:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Moorehead
Secretary to the MFEC.