

AACP REPORTS

Council of Faculties, Chair's Report, July 2011, San Antonio, TX

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General News

The Council Administrative Board and Committees were highly successful in conducting council business/initiatives and addressing charges. In addition to the Council's standing committees, one Council task force and two joint task forces with the Council of Deans were in place and active. The activities and outcomes for each of these are described below.

Other Committees and Task Forces

1. Faculty Affairs Committee

Chair: Terry Schwinghammer (UWV)

Vice-chair: Bernard Sorofman (Iowa)

This committee thoroughly addressed its charge to work with staff to create and present programming relevant to chair development at the 2011 Interim and Annual Meetings. From a COF perspective, this was the programmatic theme of the Interim Meeting and the committee has worked with staff in designing the content and activities for the Department Chairs' Session at the Annual Meeting. The committee was also effective in exploring existing resources related to faculty development that could be placed on the organization's website. Literature related to chair development/success has been placed on the website.

2. Standing Rules and Resolutions Committee

Chair: Joseph Guglielmo

The Committee has addressed all charges. Asked to prepare a resource document to share with members that addresses the organization's resolutions process, the committee prepared a concise report to that effect. Addressing another important charge, the committee has brought for recommendations for changes in the Council's bylaws which bring them into line with the organization's language (especially related to finance) and in the Council's definition of quorum for business meetings. These proposed changes have been shared with the Council's membership and will be brought to a vote at the Council's business meeting at the AACP Annual Meeting in July.

3. Nominations Committee

Chair: Gary Matzke (VCU)

The committee completed its task of preparing of slate of candidates for the position of Chair, Council of

Faculties and shared this with the membership at our business meeting in February. The candidates are Sudip Das (Butler) and Robin Zavod (Midwestern – Chicago).

4. Council of Deans/Council of Faculties Joint Task Force on Faculty Workforce

This Task Force, originally appointed in 2009, was asked to continue into the new association year in order to finish addressing its charges. No changes in membership were made. The Task Force divided its efforts to efficiently address its two charges and (enhancing quality of faculty life and evaluating the Association's mechanisms for assessing faculty work force issues and numbers). The two papers which were to emerge from this task force have been completed and submitted for publication (including to AJPE). The co-chairs presented brief reports of their findings at the COF Business Meeting in February. The two resultant papers are available for viewing on the Association's website:

Charge 1. <http://www.aacp.org/governance/councildeans/Documents/WhitePaperonTaskForceIssues3.pdf>

Charge 2. <http://www.aacp.org/governance/councilfaculties/Pages/CouncilofFacultiesSpecialProjectsandInformation.aspx>

5. Task Force on Preparation of Pharmacy Faculty and Students to be Citizen Leaders and Pharmacy Advocates

Chair: Leigh Ann Ross (Mississippi)

This task force, carried forward from the 2009-10 association year has completed its deliberations and has prepared the first draft of a White Paper with its findings/recommendations. It is anticipated that this will be completed by the time of the Annual Meeting.

6. COF/COD Joint Task Force on Advocacy

Co-Chairs: Gary Matzke (VCU), Wendy Duncan (St. Louis)

This task force was constituted and charged in late 2010 to address objective 4.1.3 of the Association's strategic plan (By the 2011 AACP Interim Meeting, a COD/COF task force will have established a model to systematically increase advocacy-relevant communications [i.e. system for feedback, notification] between members and AACP.)

The task force examined the current efforts/resources of AACP as compared to other related organizations and forwarded specific recommendations regarding the Association's website. In relation to task force charges related to member awareness, efficacy of communication regarding advocacy and level of member participation, the task force made the following recommendations:

1. Encourage each School/College of Pharmacy to establish a *Liaison to AACP for Advocacy*. This individual (faculty member) to become the internal champion at her/his school/college for efforts to engage members in AACP advocacy issues.
2. The AACP Office of Advocacy should consider *conducting quarterly teleconferences* with these school/college Liaisons.
3. The AACP Office of Advocacy should consider *publishing Case Study examples* on the AACP Website of initiatives at the college/school and state level that have lead to advancement of the AACP position on issues.
4. The AACP Standing Committee on Advocacy should *develop a resource kit* that can be used

by the school/college Liaison to promote awareness of the issues and methodologies to advance advocacy initiatives. This could be assisted by Webinars focused on use of these resources.

5. *Examine the advocacy work already done* by Earlene Lipowski of the University of Florida, Cindy Boyle at the University of Maryland, Loretta Brickman of Temple University and others as these have pioneered advocacy efforts at the school/college level.

Strategic Planning

The Council's Administrative Board has addressed the objectives for which the Board took responsibility and the plans have been set in motion. One of the Board's meetings during the Interim Meeting was dedicated to formalizing action steps and these have been shared with the Association's staff and leadership. They (the proposed action steps) will be used to help guide the work of the Administrative Board as well as the Council's committees over the next few years.