

2006-2007 Council of Faculties Report

Kenneth A. Skau, Chair

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all officers of COF and committee chairs and members who contributed to a successful year.

Committees and Task Forces.

Charges and memberships have previously been reported. With one exception the COF committees, Task Forces and joint COD/COF Task Forces were highly successful in meeting their charges. Complete Final Reports of all Committees are in the COF folder on the AACP Home Page.

Nominating Committee

Chair: Rodney Carter, Minnesota

The Nominations Committee prepared a slate of candidates for the position of Chair-elect of the Council. The nominees will be introduced at the COF Business Meeting at the AACP Annual Meeting in Orlando. The nominees are Gary Matzke (MCV-VCU) and Robin Zavod (Midwestern-Chicago).

Resolutions and Standing Rules Committee

Chair: Todd Brown, Northeastern

As of Chair Brown's final report, no resolutions had been received. However, the Chair of COF has become aware of a late request for a resolution from COF to support and endorse a resolution from the Section of Medicinal Chemists. This resolution will be discussed for appropriate action at the Business Meeting.

This committee has recommended a minor change in the Standing Rules to accommodate electronic balloting.

The committee developed a series of recommendations to stimulate and promote faculty activity in developing resolutions. These recommendations will be presented at the Business Meeting.

Advocacy and Outreach Committee

Chair: Vickie Roche

The Committee was very active in the past year. In conjunction with Will Lang the Committee responded to 10 issues related to pharmacy. In addition, the Committee formulated recommendations on the structure and function of the Standing Committee on Advocacy that will be assuming the responsibilities previously attributed to this current Committee. Finally, the Committee generated a list of potential legislative issues of sufficient importance and urgency to be brought before the House of Delegates.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Chair: Jeanne VanTyle

The primary charges of this Committee were to continue their assessment of Sabbatical Leave at Colleges of Pharmacy.

Two members of the Committee submitted a Viewpoint to AJPE concerning sabbaticals. A survey was conducted to evaluate the availability and use of sabbatical leave by College of Pharmacy Faculty and the Committee formulated a series of 4 Recommendations to enhance the use of sabbatical leave by faculty to encourage their career development.

Task Force on Faculty Workforce (Joint with Council of Deans)

Chair: Gary Matzke

The Task Force continued its extensive evaluation and assessment of the changing environment of the work force. They made a number of recommendations to assist the academy in identifying ways to increase the number of pharmacists who choose academia as their career.

Health Student Program Task Force (Joint with Council of Deans)

Chair: Nanci Murphy

The Task Force has a Special Session at the Annual Meeting with the following objectives

- 1) Identify curricular outcomes in public health, disease prevention and wellness that can be achieved by focusing on student health status and health-impacting behaviors
- 2) Generate a list of issues that must be addressed in order to successfully implement a student-focused health screening program for instructional purposes
- 3) Integrate new instructional strategies to facilitate student achievement of learning outcomes

Task Force on Interprofessional Education

Chair: Richard Herrier

Despite multiple requests, both by e-mail and by telephone, the COF Chair was unable to obtain satisfactory responses from the chair of this committee. Indirectly I have heard the committee plans a meeting in August in Chicago.

Action item.

The Council of Faculties is initiating a program in which the officers of COF and ASCC meet with the Walmart Scholars and their sponsors. This inaugural meeting will take place on Sunday, July 15 at 6:30. The planned event will be primarily an informal gathering of the participants to allow conversations between the students and the leadership of the Council of Faculties. This event is designed to help the students understand why faculty chose academic careers and what benefits these faculty have received from their career choice.