Minutes
UW School of Medicine and Public Health (SMPH)
Partnership Education and Research Committee (PERC) Executive Committee
June 27, 2016, 10 am, 4250 Health Sciences Learning Center

Members Present: Rick Moss (chair), Greg Nycz (phone), Elizabeth Petty, Jim Shull

Members Absent: Elizabeth Jacobs

WPP Staff: Tonya Mathison, Eileen Smith

Guest: Norman Drinkwater (PERC Review Panel Chair)

1. Call meeting to order
Moss called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

2. Announcements
   a. PERC Executive Committee review of New Investigator preliminary applications
   Mathison reported that the New Investigator Program 2016 Request for Proposals was released May 11 and resulted in 18 preliminary applications. Executive Committee members will complete independent reviews of the applications, due August 2, and will meet on August 4 to discuss the applications and make a recommendation to PERC on which applicants to invite to submit full applications.

   b. August 22 PERC Executive Committee to focus on health equity
   The August 22, 2016 PERC Executive Committee meeting will be dedicated to a strategic discussion of health equity. Jacobs and Nycz are each preparing brief proposals for discussion by the Executive Committee.

   c. SHOW Funding Additional funding leveraged by Survey of the Health of Wisconsin
   In accordance with its February 2015 award decision on the renewal of the Survey of the Health of Wisconsin (SHOW), the PERC will provide additional funding for SHOW in the amount of $50,000. This is the final provision of a dollar-for-dollar match from PERC totaling $300,000 in recognition of the SHOW project team’s success in leveraging additional funding from other sources. The final allocation of matching funding from PERC is related to a subaward to SHOW for $258,751 on a US Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry grant to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. PERC will also be notified at its July 2016 meeting.

3. Decision on April 25, 2016 draft minutes
Petty seconded a motion by Shull to approve the April 25, 2016 draft minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

4. Adjournment—Closed Session
Shull seconded a motion by Petty to adjourn the meeting to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1) (c), (e) and (f) to: discuss the Collaborative Health Sciences full applications and make a recommendation to PERC on faculty finalists to be invited for interviews, and to discuss and make recommendation to PERC on Strategic renewal application from Michael Fiore, “Optimized Chronic Care for Smokers: A Comparative Effectiveness Approach Years 3-5.” The motion passed by unanimous vote.
Collaborative Health Sciences Program
Norman Drinkwater, PERC Review Panel chair, provided an overview of the review process for the twelve full applications for the 2016 cycle of the Collaborative Health Sciences Program. Each application was assigned to a primary and secondary content reviewer and a community reviewer. Reviewers independently evaluated their assigned applications and then the Review Panel met to discuss the applications and to develop a ranked list for PERC.

Moss declared a conflict of interest on the application from Ying Ge, Department of Cell and Regenerative Biology, as her colleague and mentor. Moss did not participate in the discussion or vote on Ge’s application.

The Executive Committee discussed the ranking, the applications and the review summaries of the 12 applications.

Optimized Chronic Care for Smokers: A Comparative Effectiveness Approach Years 3-5
The Executive Committee discussed the Strategic renewal application from Mike Fiore, Director of the Center for Tobacco Research and Intervention, for “Optimized Chronic Care for Smokers: A Comparative Effectiveness Approach Years 3-5.”

After concluding discussion of the two closed-session topics above, Shull seconded a motion by Petty to return to open session. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved a motion by Petty, which was seconded by Shull, to confirm the following actions taken in closed session:

- Collaborative Health Sciences Program. Recommend that PERC invite the top-six ranked applicants to present their proposals at the August 8 PERC meeting. This recommendation will be presented at the July 2016 PERC meeting.
- Optimized Chronic Care for Smokers: A Comparative Effectiveness Approach Years 3-5. Advance the Strategic renewal application to PERC and invite Mike Fiore to present the application at the July 2016 PERC meeting.

5. Discuss proposed changes to Education and Research Opportunity Grants Program
At the request of the Executive Committee, WPP staff developed a list of proposed changes to the PERC Opportunity Grants Program to clarify the overall goals, enhance the review processes, and to increase overall awareness of the program. The Executive Committee discussed and accepted the changes as proposed and asked that the application guidelines include key concepts such as: transformative impact, an element of risk, and urgency. After a discussion of the eligibility of Assistant Professors, the Executive Committee decided to limit to those who have completed three or more years of their appointment. WPP staff will revise the application guidelines for discussion at a future meeting.

6. Adjourn
Moss adjourned the meeting at 10:40 am following a motion by Shull and a second by Petty.

Recorder, Tonya Mathison