Minutes
UW School of Medicine and Public Health (UW SMPH)
Oversight and Advisory Committee (OAC)
November 16, 2011 -- 2:00pm -- 4201 HSLC

Members Present: Philip Farrell, Meg Gaines (phone), Susan Goelzer, Cindy Haq, Chris Holmes, Doug Mormann, Greg Nycz, Pat Remington

Members Absent: Katherine Marks

Staff: Chris Blakey, Quinton Cotton, Cathy Frey, Mary Jo Knobloch, Lorraine Lathen, Tonya Mathison, Eileen Smith, Steve Smith

Guests: Paul Moberg (Population Health Sciences), Nancy Eberle (Population Health Sciences), Darlene Farr (Racine LIHF), Karen Herzog (Milwaukee Journal Sentinel), Cheryl Jackson (Beloit LIHF), Carole Johnson (Racine LIHF), Donna Johnson (Milwaukee LIHF), Murray Katcher, Brynne McBride (ABC for Health, Inc.), Angela Moore (Beloit LIHF), Valerie Nash (Milwaukee LIHF), Samantha Perry (Racine LIHF), Katie Pritchard (Milwaukee LIHF), Sharon Schulz (Racine LIHF)

1. Call meeting to order

Remington called the meeting to order at 1:10pm.

2. Decision on draft October 19, 2011 OAC minutes

Mormann seconded a motion by Nycz to approve the draft minutes of October 19, 2011. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

3. Announcements

UW Foundation
Eileen Smith reported that discussions are ongoing between the UW Foundation (UWF) and the Wisconsin United for Health Foundation, Inc. (WUHF) regarding the fees charged by UWF for the management of the Wisconsin Partnership Program endowment.

Public Health Council
Eileen Smith and Pat Remington recently met with the Kevin Moore, Executive Assistant for the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, to discuss the Wisconsin Partnership Program and the Wisconsin Public Health Council. It is expected that WPP leadership will be asked to participate in a future meeting of the Council.

MCW’s Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Community Benefits Report
Included in members’ packets was a copy of the Medical College of Wisconsin’s Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin report, “Improving the health of the people of Wisconsin”, highlighting the program’s achievements over the past seven years.
2012 OAC meeting schedule
The revised 2012 OAC meeting schedule was distributed. It reflects the change in duration of the meetings to two hours, typically 1:00-3:00pm. Eileen Smith announced that a conference call for the January, 2012 meeting is not appropriate since there will be presentations related to the Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families.

UHS Community Transformation Grant
Remington reported that the Wisconsin Clearinghouse for Prevention Resources, a unit of UW-Madison’s University Health Services, received a $23.5 million Community Transformation Grant grant from the Centers for Disease Control to decrease obesity and tobacco use in Wisconsin, and increase screening for chronic diseases like heart disease and cancer. Since this initiative aligns with OAC’s strategic priorities, Remington will meet with the project’s director, Tom Seiger, to discuss opportunities for the WPP to collaborate with the Clearinghouse on these program initiatives.

4. Financial report on Wisconsin Partnership Program endowment value and cash balances
Steve Smith presented the financial projections for the WPP through October 31, 2011. The value of the endowment was projected to have increased by 5.08% in October to a value of $301 million; 6.9% above its original value. There is a total cash balance of $33.5 million, $12.8 million of which is allocated to OAC. Nycz requested that future reports also list the UW Foundation’s return on the spendable account.

5. Partnership Education and Research Committee (PERC) report
Remington reported on the November 7, 2011 PERC meeting. After considering the scores and comments of the expert reviewers, the PERC selected seven New Investigator Program finalists for interviews. PERC will make up to three awards in December.

As a follow-up to PERC’s October 10, 2011 strategic planning meeting, PERC discussed OAC’s request for PERC’s acceptance of funding responsibility for the Wisconsin Population Health Services Fellowship program. PERC discussed the nature of the program which has both a service and education orientation, and thus covers the missions of the OAC and PERC, respectively. No action was taken, but there was general consensus that funding for the Fellowship program will be considered along with PERC’s other strategic priorities. Eileen Smith and Pat Remington will be meeting with PERC’s chair, Rick Moss, to discuss OAC’s request further.

PERC also continued its strategic discussion of proposed changes to the Collaborative Health Sciences Program (CHSP). The draft 2012 Request for Proposals will be reviewed at a future meeting.
6. Community-Academic Partnership Fund

Knobloch provided an update on the application review process for the 2011 Community-Academic Partnership Fund. External reviewers have completed their independent reviews of the 10 Implementation and 17 Development grant applications. Each application was assigned to three reviewers. The review panel will meet on December 1 to discuss the proposals. In advance of the December 14 OAC meeting, the committee will receive a link to the reviewers’ scores and comments, and the full applications. OAC will award up to four Implementation grants and up to 10 Development grants.

7. Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families (LIHF)

Steering Subcommittee Report
Lathen reported on the November 9, 2011 meeting of the LIHF Steering Committee. The Steering Committee heard an overview of the evaluation plan for LIHF, and reports from Milwaukee LIHF and Racine LIHF. The committee also discussed the review process for the Community Action Plans. Farrell added that the Steering Committee also discussed its membership, including a review of the committee’s charge, roles and responsibilities. The OAC will be asked to approve the appointment of new members to fill several vacancies on the committee. There are currently 13 nominees under consideration.

Cotton announced that Beloit LIHF was awarded a $10,000 grant to supplement its implementation phase. Farrell added that the Bader Foundation made a donation of $75,000 to the United Way of Greater Milwaukee.

Overview of LIHF evaluation plan
Paul Moberg, PhD, and Nancy Eberle, MPH, provided an overview of the evaluation plan for LIHF. This evaluation will have the following major components, each with specific central evaluation questions and distributed responsibility for conduct of the evaluation:

1. Process and outcome evaluation of individual LIHF-funded projects, conducted by grantees and academic partners
2. Process and outcome evaluation of each LIHF Collaborative, conducted by the Collaboratives
3. Evaluation of the LIHF initiative as a whole, conducted by the WPP LIHF central evaluation team using data from the project and Collaborative evaluations as well as other independent sources, such as Vital Statistics, PRAMS, FIMR, Medicaid, and BRFS. Emphasis will be on rigorous outcome and impact assessment.

Draft Community Action Planning program presentations
Representatives from Milwaukee LIHF provided an overview of their collaborative structure, areas of focus for the implementation phase and potential future activities. YWCA of Greater Milwaukee was identified as the fiscal sponsor to support collaborative work moving forward.
Three areas of focus for the Milwaukee Community Action Plan were noted: improving health care access over the life span, increasing father involvement, and reducing poverty.

Representatives from Racine LIHF reported that the Racine Kenosha Community Action Agency will serve as the fiscal sponsor. Focus areas include: improving access to health care across the life span, strengthening father involvement, improving social and reproductive capital, enhancing coordination and integration of family support services, reducing poverty among African-Americans, and support working mothers and families.

8. **Open Discussion: Share ideas for OAC’s strategic planning meeting on February 15, 2012**

There was general consensus by OAC to defer the open discussion until the December 14, 2011 meeting.

9. **Adjourn – Next meeting December 14, 2011**

Mormann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:00pm.

Recorder, Tonya Mathison
Secretary, Chris Holmes