

Minutes
GSBS at RWJMS Executive Council
October 23, 2013

Presiding: Dr. James Millonig

Present: Drs. Janet Alder, David Shreiber, Marc Gartenberg, Huizhou Fan, Monica Roth, Cliff Weisel, Nancy Walworth, Paul Copeland, Debabrata Banerjee, Smita Varia

Student Representative: Melvili Cintron

Absent: John Pintar, Kenneth Reuhl, Drew Vershon, Richard Padgett, and Abram Gabriel

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Dr. Kinzy said farewell and introduced Dr. James Millonig as the newly appointed Senior Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

The minutes of August and September non-meeting votes were approved unanimously.

Student Affairs

Student Affairs information is redacted in accordance with Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

Faculty Affairs

There was a review of both the GSNB and GSBS faculty to make sure all faculty were listed on either the GSBS, GSNB or both faculty lists. There were a few faculty members that were not on either list. Janet will provide each Program Director with the information pertaining to their program. Program directors were reminded of the correct protocol for nominating a faculty member and having a vote within the program prior to being presented to Executive Council.

GGC Council update – Janet Alder will fill the empty seat of the GGC council. Working groups have been put in place to discuss the possibility of a GSBS and GSNB merger. Dr. Scotto together with Drs. Copeland, Walworth and Kramer will lead the GSBS at RWJMS working group. There are also members from GSBS at NJMS. Dr. Kukor will do the same with GSNB and there was a question as to whether the GSNB working group will include all disciplines or only science.

Individual Development Plans – The NIH recommends IDP for MS, PhD, MD/PhD students and PostDocs. For the PhD the IDP should be put in place early and reviewed again in the later years. The MD/PhD students would be during the transition period to the PhD phase. Further discussion of this matter including sample IDPs and means of implementing the requirement will be discussed at the next Executive Council meeting.