

MINUTES  
 JABSOM Executive Committee  
 Friday, January 20, 2012  
 9:00A.M. – 10:30A.M.

Next scheduled meeting: February 17, 2012

Topic	Discussion	Action
<p>The Biostatistics Core at JABSOM: An Update – John Chen</p>	<p>John described how biostatistics is invaluable to research.</p> <p>The Core provides service courses, seminars, and special trainings in biostatistics as well as coaching to students, consultation and support to departments and researchers.</p> <p>The main UH campus does not have a stable statistic department and statisticians are fragmented across departments and campuses. Most statisticians are funded by grants and lack consistency in funding.</p> <p>John provided slides with trends in funding for Biostatistics departments. He described regression models he used to study the stat contribution from a variety of teams combined in size and in education. He provided examples of various Universities on the mainland with Biostatistics departments and funding for those departments.</p> <p>Overall Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build biostatistics Ohana in Hawaii</li> <li>• Integrate existing but fragmented resources &amp; establish collaboration</li> </ul> <p>Tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide outstanding service</li> <li>• Find a model that will allow for sustained growth</li> </ul> <p>Funding for the core:            Percentage of the Grant, Fee for Service or Help-desk format</p> <p>John proposed a collaboration model - both basic sciences and clinical departments can contract services from the Core depending on needs. John provided information on the Core's website, location and contact information, fee structure and current employees – 4 PHD's, several masters, and several programmers. Group email: "Biostat@hawaii.edu"</p>	
<p>Faculty Workload Survey – Jerris Hedges</p>	<p>Within next month or two, "PI"s will have to take place in survey looking at time and effort going into respective grants. Will be a federal sample with random sample of investigators.</p>	

<p>Permanent Position Count – Nancy Foster</p>	<p>Nancy recapped the challenges associated with loss of Tobacco Settlement funds and general funds. General funds have been continually declining and some tuition funds were given back to JABSOM but there is still a gap.</p> <p>Possible sources of additional monies were reviewed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase application fees &amp; other student fees</li> <li>• Increasing class size</li> <li>• Increase out of state students</li> </ul> <p>JABSOM was also collecting Tuition Differential funds at 67% compared to other professional schools at 80%. Nancy worked with the Chancellor and the differential will rise to 85% to make up for funds lost.</p> <p>By 2008, JABSOM had lost 43 FTEs. There are currently 27 temporary positions on tuition funds that will be switched to permanent counts and general funds. The 27 permanent counts are coming from other Manoa Units, but no additional funds will be given.</p> <p>Switch to permanent positions was discussed with the EEO (Equal Employment Opportunity) and approved, provided that the faculty members don't gain anything from the "switch".</p> <p>Sufficient general funds and permanent position number are required for tenured positions. Brief discussion on tenure and increase in fees followed. The Dean reminded committee that JABSOM also only receives 50% of generated RTFs and external funding is generated primarily by the Biosciences Building, not the Medical Education Building.</p>	
<p>Legislative Update – Tina Shelton</p>	<p>New look to the website at the State Capitol and the newsletter for January is very helpful in navigating the website.</p> <p>Fast track bill status for the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement Funds. The bill is up for reconsideration today.</p> <p>For this year, JABSOM will be given 2 days' notice for a hearing and one day to respond.</p>	

Basic Science Chairs 360 Evaluation – Jerris Hedges	JABSOM has completed first wave of evaluations for clinical chairs holding their posts 3 years or more. The evaluations will now review the basic science chairs.  Results go directly to HR and the Dean will receive summary data to discuss with the Chairs afterward. Focus is on aggregate data and providing quality feedback.	
FM Consortium Discussion – Chip Hixon	Not discussed – moved to next month’s meeting	