Dean Roper called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the January meeting were approved by a unanimous vote.

Five Year Reviews/Distinguished Professorships

Dr. Marschall Runge presented two distinguished professorships for the members’ consideration. Both were unanimously approved.

Lee Callahan, PhD, (Thurston Arthritis) for the Mary Ling Briggs Distinguished Professorship

Norman E. (Ned) Sharpless, MD, (Cancer) for The Wellcome Distinguished Professorship.

Information and Discussion Items

1. School of Medicine APT Guidelines

Dr. Enarson presented the proposed revisions to the School of Medicine APT Guidelines for tenure track and fixed term faculty. These revisions outline the specific criteria needed for promotion between ranks. The proposed revisions had been discussed within faculty forums which were well attended. Following discussion the proposed guidelines were approved with minor modification.

2. Bylaws

Dr. Enarson reported that faculty received an e-mail from Dr. Roper on 2/13 asking them to vote on the proposed revisions to the SOM bylaws. Voting will close on 2/27. Chairs were asked to encourage their faculty to vote.

3. Diversity Enhancement

Dr. Enarson reviewed the institutional diversity definition and the existing and planned programs directed at enhancing faculty diversity within the medical school. Polices relating to composition of search committees and the search process including journal advertisements were also discussed.
Announcements

Dean Roper had the following announcements.

- The March DAC meeting has been canceled due to the LCME Site Visit (March 11-14).
- The Health Care System budget planning meeting will be held on 2/23.
- Senators Berger and Stevens will be visiting the School of Medicine on February 23 to discuss research issues.
- Senator Stevens has announced that he will not seek reelection.
- Chairs were asked to make themselves available to visit elected representatives in Raleigh with Kelly Nicholson, our new governmental liaison.
- The Board of Governors approved a tuition increase for academic year 2012-13. Dean Roper, Dr. Newton and Dr. Enarson met with the SOM students today advising them that our current in-state tuition ($14,000) will increase to $16,000. Our tuition is amongst the lowest in the county and student debt is below the 10th percentile nationally.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Dean Roper.