**FACULTY COUNCIL**

**MEETING NOTES**

**March 6, 2019**

**Representatives in Attendance**

* **In Person:** Drs**.** M. Balwani, J. Bieker, M. Brodman, G. Butts, M. Evans, E. Ganz, S. Houten, K. Hung, T. Kalir, D. Katz, M. Kim, M. Kepecs, E. Legome, B. Markoff, I. Modica, P. Poulikakos, M. Reiner, M. Rhee, C. Rosen, J. Stone, M. Walsh, J. Wang

**Others in Attendance:** Don Santos, J. DiVico, Dr. Muller, S. Gomez; Ms. L. Schneier

1. **Committee Updates**
* Wellness: continuing to implement Wellness Champions program within departments.
1. **Guest Speaker – Dr. Muller**
	* Faculty Council will now nominate faculty members to participate in any of the four Dean’s Committees:
		1. Executive Curriculum Committee
		2. Admissions Committee
		3. Student Promotions Committee
		4. MD/PHD Admissions Committee
	* Nominations will be went to Dean for final approval.
	* Junior and Senior Faculty Welcome
	* Goal is to maintain broad representation of faculty body in committee composition.
	* Part of LCME reaccreditation project.
2. **Benefits Presentation – Don Santos & Joseph DiVico**
	* Discussed TIAA Retirement Plan options.
	* 403b and 457 plans available to eligible faculty.
	* Employer contribution has 3 year vesting period and 1 year waiting period.
	* Voluntary contributions are possible up to the IRS limits.
	* TIAA offers wealth management advisory services.
	* Presentation materials available upon request.
3. **Non-Health Faculty Benefits – Dr. Katz**
	* Grain-in-Aid now applies to both eligible spouses (Assoc and Professors only).
	* Employee Assistance Program offers free confidential counseling services. Contact at 212-241-8937.
	* Recreation Offices offers discounts and corporate shopping options.
	* Commuter benefits also available.