Nisonger Center - UCEDD
Executive Committee 9/26/11

Attending: Dr. Tassé, Dr. Rabidoux, Dr. Ratliff-Schaub, Dr. Izzo, Dr. Aman, Karel Smith
Meeting convened at 9:35 a.m. - 357B McCampbell Hall

Agenda

Discussion: 65 min.

- Strategic Plan – prioritization discussion
- Fund-raising – implementing Strategic Plan

Mission-Area UPDATES: 15 min.

- Education/Training (Rabidoux)
- Service (Ratliff-Schaub)
- Research (Aman)

Informational: 10 min.
Minutes

Discussion:

- **Strategic Planning**
  - Mike’s timeline submission was translated from intense activity then continual, to Xs. Please review the information you provided.
  - Definition of the goal determines how the Xs are listed... X should be listed at the target date for establishment or achievement date (ie. at the end of the each year for publications)
  - For something continuous – Xs should be extended throughout the duration.
  - 1.1.2: Transitions – modify goal to expand and continue.
  - Assumption is that if you start something, it will continue.
  - Everyone will use the file Tamara emailed on Friday to make edits and email back to Tamara to modify the SP document.
  - **Prioritization:**
    - Money available in the strategic reserve.
    - Identify Faculty that may retire in the next 3 to 5 years?
    - Looking at program areas that have the most potential for growth if we add a Faculty?
    - Goals were chosen based on Global and local vision – how do we establish a baseline for evaluating prioritization?
    - NICHD – Transitions or EI/ECE money? How do we identify potential?
    - IDDRC – cross-cutting over all areas as a Center objective, even though it falls under Dual Diagnosis. Depends on leadership which direction it goes and what its focus may be.... May be biased within Neurosciences. Should be translational (that includes applied research) and partnering with Basic Sciences. Brings $750,000 of resources every year and full 50% indirect. Have to be acting like an IDDRD before you get funded as one...
    - Marc and Mike met with Len Abbeduto (Colorado was defunded). 5 year grants – every year a portion of those 15 are up for renewal.
    - 3rd Faculty line – Covers a faculty at 100% for the first 3 years....
    - One metric needs to be the potential for obtaining grants.
    - Service activities has little to no extramural grant capacity. See growth in partnerships but not specifically healthcare services.
    - HRSA grant, Autism, CDC funds state office on disabilities and health. Ohio doesn’t have an ODH (partnership with public health).
- Transitions program is designed as core funding surrounded by research grants (ie. NIDRR).
- IES (Institute for Educational Sciences); need quantitative, single-subject researchers.
- How do we prioritize growth within the four areas? What do we need to achieve respective goals (ie. ideas, activities, dollars). Marc will work with Mike re: IDDRC.; then let’s compare.
- Each priority area Executive Committee member will create a ‘proposal’ for the next EC.

- **Fund-raising; implementing Strategic Plan.**
  - Organizing a Center fundraiser – event (reception) at Dr. Gabbe’s residence, can invite 50 to 60 potential donors (ie. friends of Nisonger); could be an annual event (for a fee – cover charge would be a donation). We’d have a small program, review Strategic plan, … social event).
    - we should recognize current donors
    - create a list of target needs.
    - Endowed chair for postsecondary area? Or ECE etc.?
    - We need a list of invitees:
      - Ingram, Gertz, Strassers, etc.
      - Could include grateful participants/patients.
      - Former trainees, colleagues

**Mission Area Updates:**

- **Education:** Interviews this week for a LEND program assistant (event planning etc.) Ie. Autism Institute, Research Forum, Brown Bags etc.

- **Research:** Meeting re: ECE database tomorrow.
  - Research Registry – Mike will have his student work with Matt.

- **Service:** Update re: meetings with Kate Dillingham, clinic coordinator position/evaluation. Diana’s job has been posted as temporary.

**Informational:**

- OCALI meeting tomorrow @ 10:00 a.m. Bring informational items from program areas… Mary Jo Wendling has been collaborating with OCALI IT to establish an AT network….

- Building updates.
• Drs. Gabbe and Lockwood letter for Combatting Autism Act to be submitted to legislators, Dr. Gee has publicly endorsed Issue #22.

• Vicki will be creating an informational sheet to identify Nisonger Center impacts if Issue #22 is not passed.

• National Disability – Statehouse Atrium event.

• VRP3 match doubled, doubled funding, more money here @ Nisonger.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.
Minutes respectfully submitted by Tamara J. Hager