WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL
Wednesday, March 15, 2017
6 – 7:30 p.m.
TMC Executive Offices

Council Members Present:
Abby Mitchell, MD Anderson
Elizabeth Travis, MD Anderson
Carmel Dryer, UTHealth
Diana Milewicz, UTHealth
Ruth Bush, Michael E. DeBakey VA

TMC Members Present:
Denise Castillo – Rhodes, Chief Financial Officer
Tatum Boatwright, Marketing Associate
I. Welcome & Introductions - Denise Rhodes, TMC, & Elizabeth Travis, MD Anderson

- The meeting commenced shortly after six p.m. All members went around the room and introduced themselves.

II. Follow Up Discussion: 2017 WLC Goals and the Physician Scientist Event

- On June 14, 2017, the TMC Women’s Leadership Council will be hosting a physician scientist networking event. The event will be held in Third Coast and we will invite all women leaders, senior physician scientists & junior physician scientists.
- The event will be held from 5:30 – 7 p.m. During this event, we will allow for a cocktail reception first and then move into a speed networking event. This will allow a senior and junior scientist to talk one on one. After a certain amount of time they will switch and be partnered up with someone new.
- We will be using an Eventbrite link for guest to register. This link will include two different ticket types, Senior Physician and Junior Physician scientist. Also, for senior scientists we will gather a short bio about each one so we can create a document on all of the women attending the event. This way, our junior scientists are provided with a document to read and learn the background about the women in the room.
- The goal of this event is to allow for mentorship across the campus and from one institution to another. The TMC Women’s leadership council will continue to support campus collaboration and mentorship to support women leaders in and around the TMC.

III. Council Collaboration: Women’s Leadership Tool Book

- A goal of the council is to create a resource for women leaders to access during their time on the TMC campus. This book will contain resources and serve as a reference for women to guide them during their career. Ideally, this book will continue to connect women and showcase the work and determination of the women’s leadership council.
- As a council, we will work together throughout the year to gather the best items to include in the book. At an upcoming meeting, our council can each share a piece of advice or resources they wish to include. The council thought this might be best to great in real time rather than through email.
- Attached to the meeting highlights, you will find an outline of the different items the council have brainstormed to include in the book. Please feel free to add any items you think would be beneficial to include.

IV. Council Updates & Events

- 2017 TMC Presidential Postdoctoral Career Symposium – Abby Mitchell, MD Anderson
  - MD Anderson provided an update for this event. In total, there were over 300 attendees throughout the total event and program. The Women’s Leadership
Council lead a round-table discussion that allowed 50 women to participate. The event was so successful that women were being turned away.

V. Action Items:

- **Council Members:** MD Anderson will be hosting a Women and Minority Faculty Inclusion event on Thursday, March 23, 2017. Please find the flyer attached with details.
- **Council Members:** If you are interested in purchasing a seat at the Girl Scout to Significance Luncheon. Please email eadkison@sigs.org.
- **Tatum Boatwright:** Send UTMB Galveston and Baylor contacts to Diana for her to gather Physician scientist contacts.
- **Council Members:** Mark your calendar! On June 14, 2017 the TMC Women’s Leadership Council will host the first event of the year. This event will connect junior and senior women physician scientists around campus to
- **Council Members:** Over the next quarter, please brainstorm and bring different ideas to share with the council at our next meeting for the Women Leadership Tool Book.

Action Item for June Meeting for Q2

**Next Meeting:**
TBD 2017
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