



## **Advisory Board Meeting September 24, 2012**

Members Present: *Jacob Goldberger, MD; Dr. Karen Nathan; Gary Trippe; Roger Scott, MD, Curator; Dr. Edith Pendleton, Dean of Learning Resources; Ron Bishop, Director of Galleries and Museums*

Members Absent: *Richard Aikin; Suzanne Edwards; Gina Sabiston, Vicki Santini, RN; John Sheppard; Dean Traiger, MD; Ann Wilke*  
Others in Attendance: *Genevieve Matz, Recorder*

### **1. Welcome and Introductions**

Dr. Pendleton welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

### **2. Approval of the Meeting Minutes 21 May 2012**

Mr. Trippe moved, seconded by Dr. Scott, to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2012 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

### **3. Update on Storage and Cost Savings**

Dr. Pendleton reported on the costs to date for storage and the recent relocation of short term storage to a new facility at a significant costs savings to the College. The items are maintained in sealed compartments with inventory lists provided by the facility. Dr. Pendleton will serve as the point contact. Dr. Pendleton expressed appreciation to LeeSar for their generosity in providing space for long-term storage gratis. These items are shrink-wrapped and stored on pallets and can be made available through a call to the facility. Dr. Pendleton and Mr. Bishop will serve as the point contacts. Advisory members suggested a thank you letter, or e-mail, be sent to LeeSar for providing this storage service to the Museum. Dr. Pendleton will follow up.

Dr. Goldberger continues to pursue additional storage space at the old Gulf Coast Hospital for staging and cataloguing purposes.

Dr. Goldberger reminded Board members that outside displays, such as those at Gulf Coast Medical Center, must be recorded and inventoried. Dr. Scott confirmed that outside displays are noted as such in the files.

### **4. Update on Efforts to Secure External Funding**

Dr. Pendleton reported that the Museum's grant submission to the Fort Myers Rotary Club was denied. Drs. Nathan and Pendleton have initiated contact with Charles Dauray of the College of Life Foundation (formerly the Koreshan Unity Foundation) with the hope of obtaining financial support for the Museum.

Mr. Bishop emphasized the need to reach out to the College's students and faculty. A money box for donations can be set up near the Visitor Registry. Dr. Goldberger suggested a Museum Open House, specifically targeting the medical community, as a possible means to raise funds.

Dr. Nathan referenced SARPA, Senior and Retired Physician Association, which holds routine meetings throughout the year, often including program speakers and dinner. It may be worth pursuing the viability of providing a tour of the Nursing Building and the Museum to garner greater interest amongst this group.

Dr. Nathan expressed appreciation for all the College has done on behalf of the Museum and encouraged Advisory members to further build a positive relationship with the Edison Foundation. Dr. Nathan moved, seconded by Mr. Trippe to send a formal thank you to the College and an invitation to the Foundation Board.

Dr. Goldberger reported on a positive meeting with the new president, Dr. Jeff Allbritten and his support for the Museum.

## **5. Curator's Report**

Dr. Scott reported that 319 visitors toured the Museum between July 1 and September 20. These numbers include 145 Edison students, two high school tour groups, and 81 community members. There were a total of 20 donors during this time, with the number of items donated exceeding 300. Dr. Scott shared the recent edition of the Shell Pointe Retirement News, featuring an article and photos about the Museum. A tour by Shell Point resident is scheduled in mid October. The Museum of Medical History is now a member of the Medical Museums of America. The Curator's Manual is currently being updated to include changes that better reflect Policies and Procedures of Edison State College.

## **6. Next Advisory Meeting/Adjournment**

The next Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 14, 2013 at 6:00 pm. Dr. Goldberger moved, seconded by Dr. Scott, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. The motion passed unanimously.