

**College of Veterinary Medicine
Alumni Council Meeting
Saturday, April 12, 2014, 8:30 AM
UF CVM Dean's Circle of Excellence Lecture Hall A**

MINUTES

Welcome and Call to Order – Julia Conway, Alumni Council Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:40 AM

Members Present – Susan Anderson, '83; Sarah Beatty, '11; Armon Blair, '92; Seth Colman, '13; Julia Conway, '06; Ron Cooper, '89; Mark Gendzier, '87; Julio Ibanez, '80; Rich Kane, '84; Audrey Kelleman, '95; Dan Martin, '98 (and 2 daughters); Moody McCall, '86 (and Eugenia and Oko); Dana McDaniel, '96; Dani McVety, '09; Tecla Myrick, '94; Liz Olson, '02; Lynn Peck, '88; Destiny Prezzano, '05; Julia Runnfeldt, '93; Richard Sammy, '04; Chris Sanchez, '95; Martina Sanders, '94; Ruth-Ann Spinosa, '05; Kelly Krause Vernon, '04; Carly Poor, VM3; Justin Starnes, VM3; Jim Lloyd; John Harvey; Karen Legato; Patricia Wlasuk; Sarah Carey; Andrea Renna; Rowan Milner; and Jo Ann Winn.

Review of Agenda – Julia Conway

Old Business – Julia Conway

1. Review Minutes from Nov 2013. Julia Conway presented the minutes from the Nov 2013 meeting. The minutes were approved as presented.

New Business – Julia Conway

1. Announce Distinguished Awards Winners. Julia Conway announced the 2014 Distinguished Awards Winners, Adam Birkenheuer, Elliott Jacobson, Andy Roark, Chris Sanchez, and Ted Yoho (see attached)
2. Pass the Gavel to Chris Sanchez. Julia Conway passed the gavel to Chris Sanchez, incoming chair.
3. Recognize outgoing chair. Dean Jim Lloyd recognized Julia Conway for her service as alumni council chair from 2012 through 2014 and presented her a Gator award. Dean Lloyd also recognized Julia Conway as a new member of the Dean's Circle of Excellence and presented her with a membership certificate and pin.
4. Nominations for chair-elect. Chris Sanchez asked for nominations for the chair-elect position. Moody McCall was nominated and elected as the incoming chair elect for 2014-2016. He will succeed Chris Sanchez as alumni council chair in 2016.

UF CVM Updates and Strategic Plan Discussion – Dean Lloyd reported to the council some items from the strategic plan. He wants to start a career opportunity scholarship program to obtain more scholarship dollars to meet the needs of the student loan debt. He plans to use part of the Dean's Circle of Excellence money to fund a new development officer dedicated to raising money for scholarships. That person will also seek more corporate sponsorships for scholarships. Dean Lloyd outlined the strategic plan findings and listed the steps to take moving forward to become UF's preeminent vet school. (see also: <http://veterinarypage.vetmed.ufl.edu/2014/06/13/strategic-planning-update/>)

Dean Lloyd closed with the remark that he wants every vet student and veterinarian to say "I wish I could have been a Gator."

Announcements –

1. Dean Lloyd announced that this meeting was Dr. John Harvey's last as he will be retiring in August 2014.
2. Patricia Wlasuk announced that the RDVM day is June 21 and to register ASAP.

Next Meeting October 18, 2014 – UF CVM Homecoming Weekend – Time and place TBA

Adjournment – Chris Sanchez, Alumni Council Chair, adjourned the meeting at 9:40 AM.

Next Meeting Sat, Oct 18 – UF CVM Homecoming Weekend