



MOREHOUSE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

ANNUAL FALL MEETING

***BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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SUBMITTED BY:

***LOUIS W. SULLIVAN, M.D.
PRESIDENT***

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board of Trustees:

I am pleased to submit this report on the activities and accomplishments at MSM, with emphasis on the events since our Spring, 2001 meeting.

Senior Vice Presidents E. Nigel Harris and Ronny B. Lancaster, will report on our academic and administrative programs, respectively. Following is an overview of issues and challenges facing the medical school.

The events of September 11, 2001 stunned us all. Our nation and its people are still reacting to this tragedy and the evidence of an active bioterrorism initiative, using anthrax bacteria. A number of our faculty and I have appeared on television and radio programs, commenting about bioterrorism, the U.S. Public Health system, and related issues. These activities have been well received.

Succession Plan

James R. Gavin, M.D., has accepted the position of President-elect, Morehouse School of Medicine. The Presidential Search Committee, headed by Trustee Curti, unanimously recommended Dr. Gavin to be the next President of the Morehouse School of Medicine. Jim begins his tenure as President and Professor of Medicine on June 1, 2002. I look forward to working with him during this transition. I have attached a copy of my remarks from the August 1, 2001, announcement of Dr. Gavin's appointment.

Personnel

Mr. Gary Key, our new Vice President for Institutional Advancement, joined the medical school in April 2001. His breadth of experience in fund-raising, especially for medical institutions, will serve us well. He and his staff have

rejuvenated our \$100.0 million campaign, and he is focusing on increasing student scholarships.

M. Yusoff Dawood, M.D., was recruited to be Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Dawood brings a wealth of research and teaching experience to MSM. His addition brings more stability to our residency program in Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

As mentioned during our Spring Meeting the SACS visiting committee, in their exit interview, informed us that they recommended reaffirmation of MSM's accreditation for another ten years. Our responses to their report were submitted on August 22, 2001, for inclusion in their final report to the SACS Board at the Annual Meeting on December 11-13, in New Orleans. We anticipate full reaccreditation of our institution and its three degree-granting programs for the maximum period of ten years.

Strategic Planning Initiative

Mr. Ronny Lancaster will continue to work with Mr. Robert Berendt, our strategic planning consultant, to implement elements of our Strategic Plan, adopted by the Board of Trustees on March 30, 2001. We are working to strengthen our internal planning processes, and are working with our present planning staff in this endeavor.

Grant Awards

I am pleased to report the following major institutional grants which have been received since the March 2001, meeting of the meeting of the Board.

- \$5.0 million Endowment Grant from the National Center for Research into Health Disparities, NIH

- \$3.0 million from the National Center for Research Resources, NIH, to improve our animal facilities in effort to receive the highest level of accreditation for animal research.
- \$2.0 million from CDC for International Health activities in Africa.

Mr. Ronny Lancaster will report on additional awards and federal and state initiatives. We continue to work on Capital Hill and in the State of Georgia to build and solidify our institutional relationships.

Dr. Walter Sullivan will give a more comprehensive report on grants and contracts at MSM.

National Center for Primary Care

The National Center for Primary Care is scheduled for completion and occupancy in the summer of 2002. Presently, the building is four months ahead of schedule and is under budget. Our congratulations to Dr. Walter Sullivan and Mr. Christopher Metzger.

College Partners Inc.

We continue our collaborative efforts with Dr. Audrey Manley, President of Spelman College, and Dr. Walter Massey, President of Morehouse College to secure the land on Lee Street – directly across from the medical school. We all met with HUD Secretary Mel Martinez to explore the possibility of receiving \$10.0 million in federal assistance over the next two years to help acquire and develop the land on Lee Street property.

Friends of Morehouse School of Medicine

The Friends of Morehouse School of Medicine's Annual "Salute to Excellence" honored State Senator and MSM Trustee Charles Walker; S. Truett Cathy, Chair and Founder of Chic-Fil-A; Helene Gayle, M.D., Director, Center for HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Tuberculosis at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Robert Kaufman, M.D., MSM Alumnus and primary care physician; Lee May, local writer and horticulturist; and the Zion Hill Baptist Church, sponsor of a full expense scholarship and a number of partial scholarships to MSM students.

Public Affairs and Media Relations

The numbers of media placements have significantly increased since the formation of the Office of Public Affairs. A recent evaluation showed that media placements from January to September of this year are up 35 percent over all of 2000.

Elected Officials visits to MSM

Through the efforts of Ms. Terri Winston and Dr. Willie Clemons, Director of External Affairs, and Ms. Terri Winston, Director of Governmental Programs, the following elected officials have visited the medical school:

- U.S. Senator Max Cleared
- U.S. Rep. Sanford Bishop
- U.S. Rep. Bob Barr
- U.S. Rep. John Lewis
- Nancy Boxhill, Fulton County Commissioner
- Celta Winslow, member, Atlanta City Council

Governor Roy Barnes visited our campus this past August to attend a special meeting of the Georgia Board of Industry and Trade, hosted by the Morehouse School of Medicine.

Commencement

On May 19, some 30 M.D., students, 13 M.P.H., students, and one Ph.D., student graduated from the Morehouse School of Medicine. We now have 617 MSM alumni from all three of our degree-granting programs.

MSM Family Fun Day

On September 15, we had MSM's Family Fun Day on the campus. As a response to the September 11, 2001, tragedy, we elected to bring the MSM faculty, staff and students together for a day of reflection, encouragement, camaraderie, and relaxation. I believe that this activity brought us closer together as an institution.

Campus Security

In the two years since our perimeter fence has been installed, we have had no incident of violent crime or theft on our campus. Again, my congratulations to Dr. Walter Sullivan and to our Security Department.

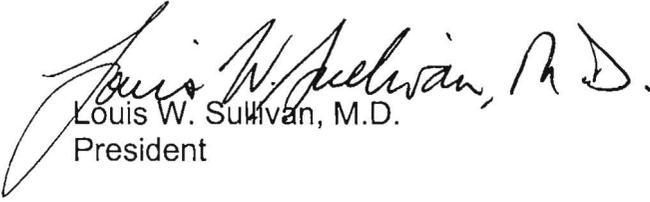
Our growth has been phenomenal this year. The NCPC building is on schedule and under budget, we have had numerous visits by elected officials and community leaders, our campus is safe and secure, and our students, faculty and staff enjoy the plaza and The Louis and Ginger Sullivan gardens constructed with a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Jerome Tamkin.

Dean Harris and Ronny Lancaster will report on our academic and administrative accomplishments and challenges. And, we will review our development activities.

The accomplishments of our faculty and staff have. However, there is still much more to do. I look forward to a most productive meeting with oversight and guidance from the Trustees.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,


Louis W. Sullivan, M.D.
President