

October 9, 2006 Educational Policy Council Meeting
Carbondale: Lindegren 310/Springfield: Lincoln Conference Room

Present:

Peter T. Borgia, PhD
Erik J. Constance, MD
Kevin Dale, Class of 2009
Susan T. Hingle, MD
Sharon Hull, MD
Jerry E. Kruse, MD, Chair
Regina A. Kovach, MD
Erica E. Nelson, MD, Vice Chair

Pritesh Patel, Class of 2008
Gary Rull, MD
Sandra L. Shea, PhD
Jena Steinle, PhD
Jason Stone, Class of 2007
Donald S. Torry, PhD
Steven Verhulst, PhD
Brandt Whitehurst, Class of 2010

Absent:

George A. Dunaway, PhD
Linda K. Herrold, MS
Debra L. Klamen, MD, MPHE
Tracy K. Lower, MD

David Rogers, MD
Reed G. Williams, PhD

Guest:

Connie Poole
Nicole Roberts

Discussion Items

1. Minutes

The minutes of the September 11, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted.

2. Announcements

Dr. Shea introduced Brandt Whitehurst, Class of 2010 to the EPC.

Dr. Kruse announced two upcoming Academy for Scholarship in Education Presentations: "Resident Reflections on Goals and Outcomes presented by Eugene Toy, MD from St. Joseph Hospital in Houston Texas, being held October 17, 2006 from 10:30-11:30am, videoconferenced between Dirksen Conference Room in Springfield and Lindegren 210 in Carbondale and "Using Acting Skills to Improve Your Presentations", presented by Ann Woodworth from Northwestern University, being held October 19, 2006 from 1:00-2:00 pm., videoconferenced between Dirksen Conference Room in Springfield and Wheeler 104 in Carbondale.

Dr. Kruse advised the committee that the March 2007 EPC meeting falls during the Spring Break holiday in Carbondale and has routinely been moved to the third Monday in March. Committee members were asked to review their schedules for availability on March 19, 2007. In place of the regular meeting, the March 19th date will be used for EPC's annual all day retreat.

3. LCME Update

Dr. Kruse reminded the committee the LCME site visit is scheduled for Sunday, January 21, 2007 through Wednesday, January 24, 2007. Dr. Kruse advised the committee, Dr. Klamen will present "How to Survive the LCME Site Visit" on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 from 8-10am in the Telehealth/ Lindegren 310 conference rooms and all EPC members are strongly encouraged to attend.

4. Year Progress Committee Operating Papers

Dr. Kruse reminded the committee that a motion was on the floor from last month's EPC meeting as follows: the operation of the Year 1, 2 and 3 Student Progress Subcommittees, and a Year 4 Student Progress Subcommittee should it be formed, be reflected in the Operating Paper of the respective Year Curriculum Committee, which will be submitted to the SPC for comment before approval by the EPC. The EPC function is to evaluate the elements of the operating paper. All individual student progress will be reported only to the SPC. This motion shall be subject to legal opinion. Dr. Kruse informed the committee that he and Dr. Constance met with Luke Crater in legal counsel and Mr. Crater advised them the motion was legally permissive. The EPC voted to approve the motion. Committee vote was 12 in favor, 2 opposed and 2 abstentions. Dr. Kruse reminded the Year Directors that student specific data is to be submitted to the Student Progress Committee (SPC) only. Dr. Kruse stated and e-mail would be sent out in the next week or so containing URL's to each respective Operating Paper for review by each committee member.

5. Four Year Calendar

Dr. Kruse discussed the need to develop four year calendars for each class respectively. Dr. Shea informed the committee the Board of Trustees approves the calendars for the Carbondale campus and she will be unable to provide a calendar beyond academic year 2007-2008. Dr. Shea stated the next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for February 2007 at which time they will approve calendars for academic year 2008-2009, 2009-2010 and 2010-2011. Dr. Borgia expressed concern that the Year Two calendar is somewhat dependent on the Year One calendar and therefore would also be able to produce additional calendars beyond the 2007-2008 academic year. Dr. Constance stated we are doing a disservice to the students by not being able to provide them a four year calendar at the time they enter medical school. Four Year calendars will be drafted by Class and presented to the EPC.

6. Subcommittee Reports

6.1. Master Teacher Succession Planning

Dr. Kruse advised the committee the Master Teacher Succession Planning subcommittee is scheduled to meet on Monday, October 16, 2006 at 2:00pm in the Harbinger/Lindgren 310 conference rooms.

6.2. Future of Medical Education

No business to report at this time.

6.3. Patient Safety

No business to report at this time.

6.4. Educational Applications of Electronic Health Records Task Force

No business to report at this time.

7. New Sub-Committees – Tentative Roster and Charge

7.1. Pain Management

Dr. Kruse reminded the committee that as part of student feedback, a pain management subcommittee needs to be formed to address pain management curriculum issues as identified by students. Dr. Kruse informed the committee that a charge and tentative roster will be created for review by the committee.

7.2. Nutrition

Dr. Kruse reminded the committee that as part of student feedback, a nutrition subcommittee needs to be formed to address nutrition curriculum issues as identified by students. Dr. Kruse informed the committee that a charge and tentative roster will be created for review by the committee.

8. Curriculum Reports:

8.1. *Four-Year Doctoring Streamer (Gary Rull, MD)*

Dr. Rull reported Problem List across the curriculum has been completed and all four years are currently utilizing problem list in their CCX cases. Dr. Rull advised the EPC that the Doctoring committee has solved the current mentor issues for this academic year, however, Dr. Rull expressed this is becoming more difficult each year. Dr. Rull also reported the Doctoring committee has been researching what equipment should be required of medical students. The Doctoring committee has been in contact with various other medical schools and will seek additional SIU faculty comments to determine what equipment medical students should be required to purchase.

8.2. *Year 1 Curriculum Committee (Sandra Shea, PhD)*

Dr. Shea reported the CRR mid-unit exam was held last week. Students completed their first CCX practice case last Thursday and students continue their Mentor visits. Dr. Shea informed the committee that Stuart Adler, MD, resigned his position and the Y1CC currently has 2 new part-time faculty helping out. Dr. Shea also reported the SSB unit schedule should be released to students in November.

8.3. *Year 2 Curriculum Committee (Peter Borgia, PhD)*

Dr. Borgia reported the students completed the HII Unit last week and preliminary scoring has been completed and will be reported to the students on Wednesday, October 11th. Students started the CRR unit today. Dr. Borgia also reported an update Year 2 Curriculum Committee (Y2CC) Operating Paper has been submitted to Y2CC for review and approval.

8.4. *Year 3 Curriculum Committee (Regina Kovach, MD)*

Dr. Kovach reported all Year 3 feedback from the Class of 2007 has been collated and distributed to faculty for review. Other items of interest from the last Year 3 Curriculum Committee meeting are: The welcome of two new members, Catherine Rapp, Class of 2008, and Dr. Embrey, a favorable discussion regarding the creation of a bi-monthly clerkship coordinator meeting, the process of submitting revised clerkship evaluations, and the approval to start academic year 2007-2008 on July 9, 2007.

8.5. *Year 4 Curriculum Committee (Tracy Lower, MD)*

In Dr. Lower's absence, Dr. Constance advised the committee the Year 4 curriculum committee also approved the July 9, 2007 start date for academic year 2007-2008.

9. Other Business

Dr. Nelson reported the Senior CCX has been completed and grades have been distributed to students.

10. Next Educational Policy Council Meeting – November 13, 2006.