

August 13, 2007 Educational Policy Council Meeting
Carbondale: Lindegren 310/Springfield: Lincoln Conference Room

Present:

Peter T. Borgia, PhD
Erik J. Constance, MD
Linda K. Herrold, MS
Susan T. Hingle, MD
Debra L. Klamen, MD, MPHE
Regina A. Kovach, MD
Tracy K. Lower, MD
Erica E. Nelson, MD, Vice Chair

Pritesh Patel, Class of 2008
David Rogers, MD
Gary Rull, MD
Sandra L. Shea, PhD
Ross Silverman, JD
Donald S. Torry, PhD
Reed G. Williams, PhD
Brandt Whitehurst, Class of 2010

Absent:

Kevin Dale, Class of 2009
Jodi Huggenvik, PhD
Sharon Hull, MD
Jerry E. Kruse, MD, Chair

Guest:

Connie Poole, MSLS
Nicole Roberts, PhD

Discussion Items

1. Minutes

The minutes of the July 09, 2007 meeting were approved as submitted.

2. Announcements

Deb Klamen, MD, announced the resignation of Sharon Hull, MD. Dr. Hull will be taking a position as Chair of Community Health Sciences with Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and Pharmacy (NEOUCOM). Her last day with SIU SOM will be October 30, 2007.

Nicole Roberts, PhD, announced the Upcoming Academy for Scholarship in Education presentations:

- Tuesday, September 25, 2007, 12:00-1:00 p.m., Telehealth Conference Room (913/Rm1252)/ Lindegren 310. Dorothy Andriole and Heather Hageman from the Washington University School of Medicine. Topic will be Outcomes in Medical Education.
- Tuesday, October 23, 2007, Telehealth Conference Room (913/Rm1252)/Lindegren 310. Louis Pangaro, MD, FACP, COL (ret.) MC USA, Professor of Medicine, Vice-chairman for Educational Programs at the Uniformed Services University in Bethesda, MD. Topic and time to be announced.
- Tuesday, November 13, 2007, 12:00-1:00 p.m., Telehealth Conference Room (913/Rm1252)/ Lindegren 310. Tim McDonald from University of IL-Champaign. Topic will be Patient Safety.

Sue Hingle, MD, announced Regina Kovach, MD, received the Ruth Marie Fincher Award for Service to the Clerkship Directors in Internal Medicine. It is an annual award from the CDIM.

3. Grade Review Process (*Erica Nelson, MD*)

Dr. Nelson reminded the Council a motion is on the table to approve the Grade Review Process and opened the floor for discussion. Following a discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the Grade Review Process with minor changes. Minor changes will be made to ensure the document is consistent across all 4 years. Vote was unanimous.

4. Curriculum Reports:

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

Dr. Rull announced Mattie White, MD, as the new Doctoring Director in Carbondale who began work in July. Dr. Deb Klamen informed the Council that Dr. White graduated from SIU SOM and also attended MEDPREP and undergrad at SIU.

Dr. Rull informed the Council there is a Year 2 shortage of primary care mentors in the Springfield area for numerous reasons. The curriculum will be changed this year. The students will still have mentor time; however, there will be two students per mentor. The students will also have smaller groups per session.

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

Dr. Shea informed the Council that Year 1 orientation was August 9 & 10, 2007. She thanked the Springfield faculty who traveled to Carbondale and met with the new students, and attended the White Coat Ceremony.

Tutor groups started August 13, 2007. Dr. Shea indicated that Dr. Mattie White has all the mentors lined up and are ready to go.

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

Donald Torry, PhD, reported that Year 2 orientation stated August 13, 2007.

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

Dr. Kovach reported that the Department of Neurology clerkship that is offered in Year 3 that students who want to go into neurology might be allowed to take the clerkship preparatory. There was discussion about the fairness of the proposal whether students would be disadvantaged or not if they weren't going into neurology could a student manipulate the process. It has been table and will be discussed again in August. We talked about changing the final clerkship evaluation form to include competencies that mimic the ACGME competencies. The Committee decided to leave the final clerkship evaluation form as is. The thinking being that the two competencies of practice based learning and systems based practice are developmental and are competencies that students don't get to clearly demonstrate achieving in the clerkships.

About 50 students have so far completed the Year 3 appraisals.

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

Dr. Lower reported that Year 4 has not met since the last Council meeting. She did inform the Council that Education and Curriculum did an awesome job of getting feedback from the graduating class of '07. There were only a couple of electives that the subcommittee reviewed that were going to be watched, but really no electives that are worrisome. The Year 4 Committee will be discussing preferential enrollment. The Emergency Medicine Readiness elective is now available for enrollment. This elective was created due to the Surgery Residency Readiness Elective being over subscribed. The Year 4 Curriculum Committee will be discussing the possibilities of adding a Residency Readiness elective in each of the core clinical areas.

5. **Subcommittee Reports**

a. **Master Teacher Succession Planning**

Dr. Klamen reported that the subcommittee has been meeting regularly. The most recent project the subcommittee has been working on is an educational interview form. This form would be used as a supplemental during interviews of prospective faculty to gauge their interest in education and provide a guide for SIU faculty to ask specific questions for future educators.

b. **Future of Medical Education**

No new items to report.

c. **Patient Safety**

Dr. Klamen reported a Patient Safety Workshop will be held in Carbondale on August 22, 2007, for all Year 1 students and Physician Assistants.

d. **Educational Applications of Electronic Health Records Task Force**

Dr. Klamen informed the Council that the interview process will be starting in the next couple of weeks and that there are about twelve applicants. Dr. David Resch will be invited to attend the September meeting to update the EPC regarding the time line of the Electronic Health Records and discuss issues and concerns the Council has.

e. **Pain Management**

No new items to report.

f. **Nutrition**

No new items to report.

6. Other Business

Pritesh Patel discussed his concerns of the timing of the administration of the Longitudinal Performance Assessment exams for Year 4 students. He asked that the exams not be given in the middle of the Senior CCX testing. He indicated that feedback from other students is that it is not being taken seriously, and most students just fill it out as quickly as possible. Dr. Klamen said the timing of the LPA and the CCX will have to be looked into for the next academic year.

7. Next Educational Policy Council Meeting – September 10, 2007