

**Year 2 Curriculum Committee**  
**Friday, October 27, 2006**  
**7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

**Minutes**

**Present:**

Mary Aiello, MA, Staff  
Amy Arai, PhD  
Peter Borgia, PhD, Year 2 Director  
George Dunaway, PhD  
Diane Fisk, BSN, RN  
Rhona Kelley, MS  
Debra Klamen, MD, MPHE  
Fritz Lower, MD

John Murphy, MD  
Vickram Ramkumar, PhD  
Karen Reynolds, RN, MS  
Gary Rull, MD  
Holly Steiner, Class of 2009  
Don Torry, PhD  
Steven Verhulst, PhD

**Absent:**

Frank Aguirre, MD  
Janak Koirala, MD  
Anna Mies Richie, MD  
Sandra Shea, PhD  
Andrew Sherrick, MD  
Tracey Smith, APRN, BS, MS  
Brenda Yale, BSN, RN

**Guest:**

**1.0 Approval of minutes**

The minutes from the August 25, 2006 meeting of the Year 2 Curriculum Committee (Y2CC) were approved.

**2.0 Announcements**

None reported.

**3.0 Student Report**

Holly Steiner, Class of 2009, reported a few students were concerned about cheating during the Hematology, Immunology and Infection (HII) multiple choice question (MCQ) exam. Specifically, the students sitting in the back row of the room. In the past, test questions were scrambled. A new testing harness has been built and will be used, hopefully, for the next exam. The exam will be scored electronically and it will be immediate. The exam proctors carefully watch the students and Google is disabled during the exam.

**4.0 HII Exam Update**

The exam results were good. Students did well on the clinical portions of the exams. This was the best it has ever been. On the MCQ exam, there was an unusual bimodal distribution of scores. The mean was 77.06%, up about three percent from last year's mean. The cut points for grades of Concerns and

Unsatisfactory were about the same as last year. The minimum score of 114 was necessary for a grade of Satisfactory. The minimum score for a grade of Concerns was 109. Five students received Concerns and two students received Unsatisfactory.

### **5.0 CRR Update**

The unit is going well. Pulmonary patient days wrapped up yesterday. Ms. Steiner was in the first round and some patients cancelled. She feels the second group had a better experience.

### **6.0 LCME Update**

Dr. Klamen reported the LCME visit is January 21-24, 2007. Unit Coordinators will likely be interviewed. She will conduct a workshop to prepare faculty for the upcoming visit. Selected readings to help prepare for the session will be available for those who interact with the LCME visitors. Please be prepared. The LCME data collected will be on a website for review to assist with preparations. All should read the self study report which is approx. 40 pages long. Students will give tours for the visiting evaluators. Approximately 8-10 students will have lunch with the visitors each day. Approximately 26 students will be involved. Some students will go to Carbondale.

### **7.0 Year 2 Operating Paper**

EPC has recently set up two subcommittees. One is a master educator/master planning subcommittee working on succession of key faculty and how to prepare for the future. This group has met once. The other subcommittee deals with the future of medical education, this group has not met yet.

Historically, the SPC has taken it upon itself to approve the Y1 & Y2 progress documents. The EPC requested that we amend our operating paper to acknowledge the Year 2 Student Progress Subcommittee. The SPC asked the Y2CC to submit their operating paper showing the update. The operating paper was modified accordingly and was distributed at the previous meeting. Dr Borgia explained that the revisions are on the table for approval.

Dr. Torry asked if the EPC wanted the Y2CC Student Progress Document. Dr. Borgia answered he is prepared to give it to them but had not yet done so. There has been some discussion as to whether or not the EPC is appropriate body to approve the document. Dr. Klamen moved to approve the amended operating paper and Murphy seconded it. A vote was taken and the document was unanimously approved.

Dr. Dunaway mentioned that he is not happy with the student progress document regarding item eight, students who continue to do poorly in a specific discipline remediate the discipline during the summer remediation. He believes the committee is beyond this and recommends the item be deleted. In practice the committee has never used it. The Year 1 faculty has used a similar item and recently made the decision not to follow this item in the future. Given this information the committee can delete the item. A motion is

needed before item 8 may be deleted. Dr. Rull questioned whether or not Doctoring would fall into this category. Dr. Borgia noted most of Doctoring falls under clinical skills and clinical reasoning. Dr. Klamen noted the recommendation is a good idea and suggested the committee wait before deleting the item.

#### **4.0 Other Business**

Dr. Klamen reported the Office of Education and Curriculum is going to buy an audience response system for the West Auditorium. Dr. Klamen will let others know when its available for testing. The video monitors in the tutor rooms will be replaced. The PDL will go digital in December and will hopefully be complete by mid January.

#### **5.0 Adjournment**

The Y2CC adjourned at 8:02 a.m.