Year 1 Curriculum Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 4, 2020


Guests: J. Arnold, N. Henry, G. Hoffmann, D. Quamen, B. Suh

N. Weshinskey called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Minutes
The July 14 minutes were approved as distributed.

Announcements
The Y1CAC membership list was approved.

N. Weshinskey announced that there are several new hires but they will not be tutoring in CRR.

L. DiLalla volunteered to tutor in NMB.

C. Anderson announced that mentor hours would be reduced from 12 to 8 hours per unit this year due to a lack of mentors as a result of the pandemic. The Overview Document was otherwise approved. L. DiLalla suggested referring students to specific pages of the document as they progress through the year. M. Sullivan will post the document to D2L.

R. Clough offered to donate the face shields purchased for anatomy labs to the students since the anatomy curriculum will now be online. G. Hoffmann offered to pass these out during her infection control session during orientation.

M. Sullivan’s proposal to streamline the Year 1 program evaluation forms on MyProgress so that they match the Year 2 forms was accepted by the committee.

Other Business
N. Henry brought up the importance of supporting SOM’s role as an antiracist organization. L. DiLalla recommended discussing this during orientation. N. Henry suggested going through the tutor guide to identify bias in the curriculum, especially in the Beverly Huff and Louis Welker cases. D. Klamen stated that A. Cianciolo’s team is doing this in Springfield. D. Klamen noted the importance of deferring to Black and marginalized voices during this process.

Next Meeting
The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 11 at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.