

**LCME Action Team**  
**MS-19, 23, 26**  
**August 21, 2012**

**Members Present:** Dr. Marie Veitia (Chair), Ms. Joan Catherine Viksjo, Ms. Prudy Barker, Dr. Tracy LeGrow, Kathleen Richardson (MS-III), Josh Hess (MS-III)

**Members Absent:** None

Reviewed meetings of last meeting (2/21/12) and accepted as written.

**MS-19-Career Counseling**

Reviewed data from Student Services Assessment Survey (SSAS) that was completed in April 2012. An increase was noted in all areas related to Career Counseling from the previous GQ. Thirty Seven percent of students were satisfied with the Medical Career Development Course. Discussed reasons why this might not be as highly rated as other career counseling initiatives. It was suggested that the course be looked at by class year as there may be trends there that could help explain the findings. It was also suggested that the MS-III course be moved to the fall of the third year so that when students begin to think about what electives they want to take in the 4<sup>th</sup> year, they will have more self-knowledge to work with.

**MS-23 Debt Counseling**

Reviewed SSAS data. Findings from this survey indicate an increase in student satisfaction 30% or greater in each category from the previous GQ. These numbers are getting significantly closer to the All Schools average. The FIRST website was not utilized at a high level by students. The majority did find the mandatory financial aid workshops useful. Ms. Barker is looking at decreasing the length of those workshops and trying to make them more interactive to improve satisfaction even more. It was suggested that having a resident panel talk about their experience with debt etc. might also be helpful.

**MS-26 Personal Counseling and Wellness**

Reviewed the SSAS data. Numbers are improving in terms of satisfaction. The contract with Cabell Hospital EAP was renewed to provide continued access to counseling for students. The contract with Valley Health for medication management was not due to low utilization. Discussed use of the Wellness Committee to increase offerings for personal wellness. Discussed the possibility of utilizing a Recreation Management intern from main campus to develop a menu of personal wellness activities/experiences.

**Other business**

Study space is being closely assessed by the Office of Student Affairs. More cubicles are being added to the computer lab at the BCC, the Lewis Center also has increased access to computers. Additional tables are being added in the Health Science Library.

Student satisfaction with lounge/relaxation space is very low. There are initiatives in motion to increase access to recreational/relaxation activities on site at the BCC.

Space issues may be more an issue of how space is set up versus a true lack of space.

**Next Meeting:** Dr. Veitia will coordinate additional meetings as needed.