

Curriculum Committee Meeting

September 6, 2018			
X	Class of 2019: Kyle Smith	X	Class of 2019 OSR: Akash Sharma
X	Class of 2020: Joey Simmons	X	Class of 2021 OSR: Samuel Kaplan
X	Class of 2021: Rebecca Wingfield	X	Class of 2021 OSR: Kayla Rodriguez
	Class of 2022:		Class of 2022 OSR:
	Piyali Dasgupta, Ph.D.	X	Bobby Miller, M.D.
X	Beverly Delidow, Ph.D.	X	Robbie Nance, BSAM (Recording Secretary)
X	Larry Grover, Ph.D.	X	Nitin Puri, M.D./Ph.D. (Executive Secretary)
	Maria Serrat, Ph.D.	X	Marie Frazier, M.D.
X	Hongwei Yu, Ph.D.		Paul Ferguson, M.D.
X	Bonnie Beaver, M.D.		Michelle Ruppert, M.A.
	James Day, M.D/Ph.D.	X	Amy Smith, M.Ed.
	Doreen Griswold, M.D.		Mike McCarthy, M.A.
X	Sean Loudin, M.D.	X	Holly Dunmore, M.S.
	Kelly Melvin, M.D.	X	Todd Green, Ph.D. (MS1 Sub-Com)
		X	Nancy Norton, M.D. (MS2 Sub-Com)
	Emily Wright, Class of 2019		
X	Gregory Hill, Class of 2020		Sasha Zill, Ph.D.
X	Quorum Met	X	Richard Egleton, Ph.D.

Old Business

- Dr. Loudin chaired.
- Review and Approve minutes from past meeting.
 - a. August 16th.
 - i. Motion to approve.
 1. Motion carried.

Sub-Committee Reports

- **MS1 (Todd Green)**
 - Dr. Green reported. Have worked to secure coverage for histology for this academic year. Most histology labs have been cut due to lack of coverage. Noted that Top Hat is working well. Changed committee meeting time to 4th Thursday of the month.
 - Dr. Loudin noted that it was important to remember the reduction in Histology hours when the next annual course report is presented.
- **MS2 (Nancy Norton)**

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- Dr. Norton reported. In their July meeting, it was decided to not give the CBSSA during the Spring Semester this year. The CBSSA will still be given but instead of a proctored exam, students will be given vouchers to do on their own. Accepted a proposal from Dr. Puri regarding students who fail the CBSE on the first attempt. Students will be required to complete a Doctors in Training Program (to be paid at the student's expense). Decided to give an NBME exam at the end of each systems based course. Dr. Norton was elected chair of the committee. Placed a cap on the number of non-exam points students can earn at 15%.
- In their August meeting, discussed 10 students who achieved 75% or below on the first exam. Changed their meeting time to the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 4 o'clock pm in the Dean's Conference Room. Discussed ways to change how NBME exams are administered, i.e. MCTC, SMMC, using personal devices (with consideration of challenges presented). Noted it would be ideal to have a MUSOM testing center.
- **Clinical (Kelly Melvin)**
 - Dr. Loudin reported. Discussion centered on MSPE (Dean's Letter). In previous years the school has not reported MS3 NBME exam performance but do to a decline in first time test taker pass rate over the last three academic years, the committee revisited. A motion was made and passed to include raw score and percentile on the MSPE retroactive to rotation 1.
 - Dr. Delidow noted that she thought this was good news because students need to be aware that just skating through is not a good thing.

Course Report(s)

- No course reports were presented.

New Business

- **18 Month Curriculum Progress**
 - a. Dr. Green, and Dr. Norton reported.
 - b. A faculty taskforce has been meeting every two weeks since May. In addition, a student taskforce has been meeting. A timeline layout has been agreed upon utilizing a systems approach. Eight weeks will be given for a summer break (or for summer research). An NBME type exam will be given at the end of each systems block. Students will finish MS I & II years earlier. Eight weeks in February/March will be allotted for Step I Prep.
 - c. It was noted the reason for migration to a new system is an attempt to make our students more competitive with students at schools who have already adopted a shorter pre-clinical curriculum and to better integrate our curriculum.
 - d. Amy Smith ask if an option would be available to students interested or needing to do longer research projects.
 - i. Dr. Egleton answered that they were looking to add a research year designed to aid students experiencing academic difficulty. Would have a certificate option. There is no timetable when this will be a viable option.
 - ii. Amy noted that she has had three students approach her already with interest or offers to do yearlong research projects at other institutions.
 - e. Rebeca Wingfield ask how students would remediate blocks.
 - i. It was noted this is still in the details to be worked out.

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- f. A Physicians in Practice would run alongside the new curriculum as an introduction of sorts to Clinical Skills. Would serve as a replacement for Biostats.
- g. Anticipated roll out of the new curriculum is July 27, 2020
- h. Call for a vote was recommended.
 - i. Dr. Grover motioned. Dr. Yu seconded the motioned.
 - ii. Dr. Egleton recalled his former days on the committee and noted that it had been past policy to not vote on something in the same meeting it was introduced.
 - iii. Dr. Grover ask for time to discuss. Noted that it was easy to see the reason for making the change but wanted to know if there were potential downsides to making the change other than the possibility of having more struggling students.
 - 1. Dr. Miller noted that the number of struggling students was +/- scenario as struggling students would have more time to correct their course and be able to graduate on time or not be hinder in their efforts to match.
- i. Dr. Egleton ask to have multiple Step I sit by dates for the new curriculum.
 - i. Amy Smith noted this needed to be decided upon including dates for MS III Orientation.
- j. A fair discussion occurred regarding stress to changing and implementing.
- k. Dr. Yu ask of the possibility to get a consultant to look at the timeline proposed and offer feedback before a vote is taken.
 - i. Dr. Miller indicated this was possible and he had people in mind he could ask including Dr. Canterbury from UVA who met with the committee in December of 2016.

Discussion

- No further discussion took place.

Next Meeting: September 20, 2018

Next Course Report: TBD