MINUTES
MEC MEETING
12:00pm Volker Hall 302
Tuesday – September 9, 2014


MASTER’S PROGRAM IN BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES (Will Brooks)
See presentation.

LEARNING COMMUNITIES (Jason Noah)
See presentation.

CLERKSHIP GRADING (Craig Hoesley)
- Grade data is being reviewed to date as each block’s grades become available.
  - Data is broke down to different elements by campus.
    - Students who have received clinical honors.
    - Students who have received NBME honors.
    - Students who have received overall honors
- Clerkship Directors meet the 2nd Thursday of every month.
  - Grading data is shared with Clerkship Directors twice a year.
- Grades are compared across campuses.
  - This is used to point out how clinical honors can be impacted.
    - Honors elements need to be met by students in order to receive honors grades.
    - Will talk to students and faculty raters, and Clerkship Directors to get feedback and an assessment of the current standing with this system.
- A review of this academic year will be presented to the MEC in the spring.

USLME STEP1/STEP 2 UPDATE (Craig Hoesley)
- Step 2 CK
  - Data shows the 2013/14 group did well.
  - Mean score was 1 point higher than the national average.
  - Performance is consistent.
  - 2% percent of students failed relative to 3% nationally.
  - Step 2 CK scores remain at or above national.
• Step 2 CS - the Clinical Skills Exam.
  o Data is unavailable because there is no raw score.
  o Has run below the national average over the last several years.
    ▪ 6% percent of our students failed last year and 4% in the country.
  o Working on improving clinical skills through developing Clinical Scholars, assessing the curriculum about the changes made the ICM course, and establishing longitudinal clinical skills assessment.
  o Assessment data will be reported to the MEC.
  o The full clinical skills curriculum will take several years before it is in place.
• Students are asked to take both 2CK and 2CS because residency programs are asking for data earlier than what they have received historically.

PRE-CLINICAL SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES (Laura Cotlin)
• Working on spring module reports to be completed by each module’s 90 day UME meetings.
  o Anticipate presenting reviews this fall.
  o Cardiovascular and Hematology will be presented next month.

CLINICAL SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES (Marjorie Lee White)
• Working on bylaws.
• Planning a retreat.
• Working on annual clerkship updates.
• Clerkship Directors were given an annual survey requesting responses to outstanding issues from previous clerkship reviews. Completion is expected by November.
• Review of all senior courses.
  o Working on and planning to start targeting the senior OSCE.
  o ICM has come back around, working on someone to lead that effort.

CURRICULUM INTEGRATION TASK FORCE UPDATE (JR Hartig)
Will report at next MEC meeting.

PRE-CLINICAL GRADING TASK FORCE UPDATE (Cathy Fuller)
• Working on changing preclinical grading from pass/fail to a ranked system.
• In process of assembling a survey to go out to Module Directors, Residency Directors, and Clerkship Directors.
  o Plan to complete surveys by the beginning of October.

SERVICE LEARNING TASK FORCE
• A SWOT analysis is being put together to be presented at the next meeting by the Service Learning Task Force chaired by Erin Snyder.

MEC ANNOUNCEMENT (Cathy Fuller)
No current announcements.

Next MEC Meeting October 14, 2014