Curriculum and Instruction Committee
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 19, 2012

Attendees:

Robert Donner, MD
Carolyn Klatt, MLIS
Edward Klatt, MD
Roberta Weintraut, MD
Ed Perkins, PhD
Michael Smith, PhD
Ashley Horner, PhD
McKinley Thomas, EdD
Tina Thompson, PhD, Chair
Steve Williams, MD
Heather Henry, MSII
Jeff Ignatoff, MD

Absent:

Wade Fletcher, MD
Umangi Patel, MSIV
Erin Meehan, MSIII
David Burtner, MD
Alec Ridley, MSI
Grady Carter, MD
Jerry Tift, MD
Klugh Kennedy, PharmD
Marie Dent, PHD
Blanca Lopez, MD
Wayne Glasgow, PhD

Call to order

Dr. Tina Thompson, Chair of the CIC Committee, called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the April 5th meeting were not available at this time to be presented for approval by the committee. They will be presented at the next meeting.
New Business

1. The first order of business was for McKinley Thomas to present the review of the Behavioral Science Discipline. A meeting of the sub-committee took place on April 4th. The committee had reviewed all the materials submitted by the discipline prior to that meeting. The student members were asked to comment on the completeness and accuracy of the report based on their experience. While the committee found no major issues with the discipline, they did make the following observations/recommendations: 1) the material is pertinent and integrated well into the phases; 2) because the discipline frequently addresses the issues of pharmacotherapy (ie: treatment for psychological disorders in the presence of other disease processes) it is very important that the discipline faculty interact with the pharmacology discipline faculty to make sure that the drugs and treatment regimens are consistent 3) consider creating monographs to replace some of the current primary reference material to better guide the study focus, 4) continue to look for alternatives to Kaplan & Saddock or create a monograph to help guide study using the textbook, 5) MDE questions are not Step I style and need to be improved. The CIC recommends that the discipline faculty get assistance from faculty members that are more familiar with writing Step 1 questions. Dr. Mike Smith volunteered to help the discipline faculty in question writing.

Old Business

1. At the last few meetings, the CIC discussed the requirements for Step 1 and progression into the 3rd year. Dr. Thompson presented a new change to the current rules where a student who is waiting for his/her Step 1 grade will enter the 3rd year and finish their first clerkship. If the student then fails Step 1, he/she will finish the clerkship they are on and if they satisfactorily fulfill the requirements they will be given full credit. At that time, he/she will be removed from Year III and placed on independent study until they pass Step 1. This was brought before the CIC for vote and approved unanimously.

Updates

Dr. Donner presented a summary of student performance (first time takers 2011) on Step I and Step II CK. Step I: pass rate/ave score: MUSM 98%/226: National 94%/224; Step II: MUSM 98%/232:National 98% 236 ; Dr. Thompson said she would provide the information for Step II CS next time.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35PM

Minutes recorded by:
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