

MINUTES OF THE CURRICULUM PLANNING COMMITTEE

November 19, 2008

PRESENT: Darryn Appleton, Georgia Blackwood, Kate Bowers, Craig Chiefetz, Mary Ellen Cleary, Cindi Cornelissen, Linda Costanzo, Steve Crossman, Bob Diegelmann, Susan DiGiovanni, Alan Dow, Doug Franzen, Frank Fulco, Margaret Grimes, Mark Kovacs, Richard Krieg, Sahar Lotfi-Emran, Virginia Pallante, Evan Reiter, Jeanne Schlesinger, Crystal Shrestha, Ike Wood

ABSENT: John Bigbee, Julia Messina, David Reines, Vibin Roy, Russ Seneca

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Ike Wood, Committee Chair. Minutes of the November 12, 2008 meeting were approved. Ike Wood reminded the committee again of the ground rules highlighting that we now have to include “reality checks” in our planning.

- During the meeting we will only focus on the overall structure or “skeleton” of our ideal curriculum—we will not examine methods of instruction.
- There will be no discussion of obstacles—only what would be our ideal curriculum—however, we will now start adding in reality checks.

Ike Wood reviewed with the committee the eight valued outcomes to assure that pertinent measures were being included in the planning of the curriculum.

Georgia Blackwood and Evan Reiter reviewed with the committee the consensus curriculum skeleton. Questions and discussion ensued about what needed to be changed or added. Examples included:

- Including societies in the curriculum
- Development of a continuity clinic
- Inclusion of the social and behavioral context of health and illness throughout the curriculum
- An integration phase just prior to the clinical phase

Dr. Chiefetz reminded the committee of the need to keep the INOVA students in mind when planning longitudinal activities. He reminded to the committee to be attentive to the requirements of ED-5-A as we proceed.

Many innovative ideas were introduced resulting in lively discussion. Ike Wood suggested that the committee divide into subcommittees who will work on “fleshing out” the new ideas within specific components of the proposed new curriculum. It was decided that there would be four subcommittees: The Healthy Human; Applied Medical Science; The Continuity Clinic; and, The Longitudinal Curriculum. Members volunteered to be on the subcommittees (absentees were assigned to a committee):

The Healthy Human

Georgia Blackwood
 Steve Crossman
 Julia Messina
 Virginia Pallante*
 Crystal Shrestha
 Ike Wood

Applied Medical Science

John Bigbee
 Kate Bowers
 Craig Chiefetz
 Cindi Cornelissen
 Linda Costanzo*
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*Asterisk denotes sub-committee chair

It was suggested that the sub-committees meet during the time when the entire committee is next scheduled, which will be December 3, 2008 from 3:00-4:30 p.m. The subcommittee will report back during the December 17th meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ike Wood, M.D.
Committee Chair