

Student Advocacy Committee Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2021

12:00 – 1:00 pm, HMEB 460

Attendance: Shelley Collins, Beverly Dede, Jim Gorske, CJ Arcalas, Krystal Glasford, Asena Markal

Recording: Renata Dolbier

Begin 12:04 pm

1. Welcome & Information

- Dr. Sims will be the new chair for the committee.
- Leadership workshops will be coming for class leaders.

2. 1st YR

Class reps will be elected soon.

3. 2nd YR

The class is doing well. This fall has been their first opportunity to meet in-person with their classmates. The class is working on addressing Professional Identity formation by creating activities including direct cases within their CLG. It was proposed to try to make this a longitudinal activity across the 4 years of students.

4. Diversity

No activities are planned yet. Plan to focus more on professionalism. Less away from awareness and more to how to communicate and how to have difficult conversations or handle difficult situations with other professionals from diverse backgrounds. Plan to have more workshops involving personal experiences.

5. Jim Gorske

Towards the end of neuro, a panel for Step prep will be organized. In January he will be available for reviewing study schedules.

6. Dr. Dede

She has set aside some Thursday afternoon for class of 2024 check-ins. Launch a Student Wellness coalition. Meant to be a bridge of all student organizations under the wellness theme and to support each other.

7. Overall comments from Dr. Collins

Vaccines are mandatory in the VA for clinical rotations. Stickers are available for those who are fully vaccinated. If student is not vaccinated there will be limitations of what rotations they can participate in and they will be required to wear a N95 mask. The scores for Step are now pass/fail and discussions about what that means will be forthcoming. Student organization need to be organized and housed under OSA and that office will be working on this and creating a website. Dr. Collins is in her office in the HMEB on Tues., Thurs., and Fri. Study rooms now have electronic posted reservation notifications.

Meeting adjourned: 12:39 pm