

# Duluth Campus Faculty Assembly

**DMED 68** – 3:00 PM  
Tuesday, April 28, 2015

## **\*\*MINUTES\*\***

### PRESENT AT MEETING--Drs:

Beehler	Holy	Regal
Boulger	Hovland	Rose-Hellekant
Clarke	Michaels	Severson
Drewes	Onello	Trachte
Fitzakerley	Owens	Walls
Hellekant	Pearson	

1. **Call to order** – 3:06p by Ben Clarke
2. **Minutes from previous meeting** – Moved by George Trachte, Seconded by Jim Boulger.
3. **Committee Reports** – discussion as requested (see below)
  - a) Les Drewes reported that the AHC FCC has spent most recent meeting time addressing the Patient Safety in Clinical Trials issue facing the University. He urged participation by our faculty in the Town Hall Open Forum with Dean Brooks Jackson that will be webcast at [z.umn.edu/ahctownhall](http://z.umn.edu/ahctownhall). Drewes stated that this issue will affect us on the Duluth campus and it is an issue that is being watched nationwide. Trachte reported that the Medical School Faculty Advisory Council has also spent a great deal of time on this issue and it is quite contentious. Jane Hovland referred faculty to the legislative Auditors Report for a good summary on the topic.
  - b) Terri Rose-Hellekant reported that the Research Committee has been discussing IRB ramifications of the Patient Safety issue as well as looking at building plans and usage data. The group is trying to determine sources for usage data that is accurate, and efforts are being made to use that data in planning for building needs.
4. **Old Business** –
  - a) *UM Senate seat (replacement for R. Ziegler/P. Ranelli)* –Clarke will solicit names for a replacement on the UN Senate. This committee represents Pharmacy, NRRI and Large lake Observatory as well as the medical school. Clarke will address this issue soon and has asked for volunteers.
5. **New Business** –
  - a) Admissions Statistics for Entering Class of 2015, Chair Summary – Robin Michaels and Jane Hovland talked about the admissions data and process. The number of applications received for our campus is very high when compared to the TC, and the screeners' jobs have been challenging.

Michaels shared that acceptances are made based on the mission of the Duluth campus, and applicants that are not interested in rural family medicine working with Native American populations are encouraged to explore other options for school. Discussion included recruiting efforts throughout the state for appropriate applicants, retention of students that come to Duluth, and the need for attention to faculty retention issues as well. There is a need for volunteers to work on the admissions committee, and names will be appreciated for consideration. (see attached)

- b) Scholastic Standing Committee, Annual Report for Duluth Campus – Michaels discussed the report and said that it was a very busy year this year. A task force has been implemented by Dean Brooks Jackson and one of the assignments has been the standardization of some of the “STOP” points used to recognize when students are in trouble academically, and need to be referred elsewhere. Jim Boulger asked for a summary of the recommendations made by the task force, and Michaels said she would send that summary out soon. (see attached)

**A motion** was made by Jim Boulger that all students who have progressed successfully through their second year and have passed the Step 1 boards be moved on to the third year. Seconded by Trachte. Passed.

**A motion** was made by Jim Boulger to accept the Admissions Committee report, and to submit it to the TC campus in its final form when complete. Seconded by Melissa Walls. Passed.

- c) *Ballot for Faculty Consideration: Ben Clarke*

Committees with openings for FY 2016 were reviewed:

\*Faculty Advisory Committee (Duluth campus) has two openings for at-large members.

\*Education Council (Med School TC campus) has 2 openings. Trachte and Arlen Severson have indicated they want to continue.

\*University Senate elected, Faculty Advisory Council (Med School TC campus) has one opening.

Department Heads will be contacted for recommendations for the ballot.

- c) Janet Fitzakerley reminded the group that annually ALL committees are to give reports to the Faculty Assembly. We will add that to the agenda for the May 19<sup>th</sup> Faculty Assembly agenda.

- ✓ Save the Dates:

May 4<sup>th</sup> Human Subject Protection – Webcast with Dean Jackson

May 5<sup>th</sup> Boman Cancer Research Symposium

May 12 Town Hall Meeting with Nancy Raymond, OFA – TC

May 18 Dean Jackson welcomes Dean Termuhlen – Glensheen 5:30p

May 19 Faculty Assembly meeting – Duluth Campus

May 28 Medical School Faculty Assembly – 5:00 pm Rm 165

October 29, Research Day at the Medical School with Deans Jackson, LeBien, and Termuhlen

## 6. Adjourn – 4:01p

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeannette Lang, Staff

**Entering Class of 2015**  
**Admissions Statistics as of April 17, 2015**

<b>Applications</b>		<b>Interviews</b>		<b>% of Apps.</b>
Total applications	1628	Total interviews	138	8%
Minnesota applicants	439	Minnesota interviews	119	27%
Multicultural applicants	431	Multicultural interviews	26	6%
American Indian applicants	36	American Indian interviews	17	47%

<b>Entering Class of 2015</b>				<b>GPA</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Range</b>
Total acceptances offered	72		BCPM	3.64	3.02-4.00	
Early Decision acceptances	5		Total GPA	3.69	3.16-4.00	
Early Admission acceptances	3		<b>MCAT</b>	28.75	24-35	
Deferred from 2014	1		Verbal Reasoning	9.32	6-12	
Deferred until 2016	-		Physical Sciences	9.34	5-14	
Current acceptances	60		Biological Sciences	10.08	7-14	
Minnesota residents	51		<b>Undergraduate Schools (36 schools)</b>			
Disadvantaged*	19		University of Minnesota		19	
Multicultural	16		UM Duluth	10		
American Indian	12		UM Twin Cities	8		
Minnesota American Indian	4		UM Morris	1		
African American	1		Minnesota State Universities		2	
Asian	2		Minnesota SU Mankato	1		
Hispanic	1		Minnesota SU Moorhead	1		
Women	31		Minnesota Private Colleges		15	
Men	29		Other (out of state)		24	
<b>Hometown Size (31 Minnesota counties)</b>			<b>Undergraduate Majors (30 majors)</b>			
<i>Hometowns smaller than 20,000 = 78%</i>			Biology		21	
Rural	Less than 2,500	16	27%	Chemistry		3
Small town	2,500-7,499	19	32%	Other Science		21
Large town	7,500-19,999	12	20%	Other Majors		15
Small city	20,000-49,999	6	10%	<b>Graduate Degrees</b>		4
Medium city	50,000-99,999	5	8%	MA, Education		
Urban/suburban	100,000 and up	2	3%	MPH, Public Health		
<b>Age</b>			MS, Biomedical Science			
Average		23.7	MS, Cereal Chemistry			

Mode 23  
Range 21-31

\*AMCAS Socioeconomic Status Disadvantaged Indicator (based on parents' education and occupation)

April, 2015

TO: University of Minnesota Medical School Duluth Campus Faculty Assembly

FROM: Scholastic Standing Committee, Duluth Campus

RE: Annual Report (2014-2015)

The Scholastic Standing Committee is a standing committee in Duluth charged with the responsibility of monitoring student progress through the first two years of medical school. In Duluth, seven faculty members and two student members (one from each class) serve on the Scholastic Standing Committee; members are elected. The Duluth campus Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Admissions sits *ex-officio* on this committee. Meetings are held to review student progress following the conclusion of each grading period. Student progress is also monitored at each mid-semester point and meetings are held at these times if necessary.

End of grading period determinations were held on 4/25/2014 for Spring Semester 2014, 8/14/2014 for Summer Semester 2014, 1/22/2015 for Fall Semester 2014 and a meeting is scheduled for 4/22/2015 for Spring Semester 2015 grading determinations. In addition, special meetings were held regarding the academic progress of students including: 1) 6/19/2014 for two first year students who failed Hematology, Immunology & Oncology (Med 6541) (both students were offered a remedial exam), 2) 8/14/2014 a special meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> year student who failed a remedial exam in Hematology, Immunology & Oncology (Med 6541) (student was approved a decelerated program to repeat the Hematology, Immunology & Oncology course Spring Semester 2015), 3) 10/22/2014 for three first year students who failed the Foundations of Medicine Course (Med 6520) Fall Semester 2014 (all three students were offered a remedial exam), 4) 11/25/2014

A special meeting for a second year student who failed Cardiovascular, Respiratory, Renal, Acid-Base Medicine (CRRAB 1, Med 6566), (student was offered a Leave of Absence to return Fall Semester 2015 to repeat Cardiovascular, Respiratory, Renal, Acid-Base Medicine), 12/18/2014 a special meeting for two 2<sup>nd</sup> year students who failed the Cardiovascular, Respiratory, Renal, Acid-Base Medicine (CRRAB II, Med 6728) (both were offered a remedial exam) and a 1<sup>st</sup> year student who failed Skin Musculoskeletal Medicine Course (Med 6788), (granted a decelerated program repeating Skin Musculoskeletal Medicine Course Fall Semester 2015), 4) 1/22/2015 a special meeting for 2<sup>nd</sup> year student who was granted a Leave Of Absence, requesting an early return (return from Leave of Absence was granted) and 1<sup>st</sup> year student who failed the Foundations of Medicine Course (Med 6520) and failed a remedial exam (student was granted a decelerated program returning Fall Semester 2015 to repeat Foundations of Medicine Course).

1. Program decelerations/modifications:

Three first year student is completing year one on a decelerated/modified program.

Two second year students are completing year two on decelerated/modified program

2. Leave of Absence and/or Readmission after a leave:  
One

3. Academic Probation/Remedial Programs/Re-examinations: The following Courses had student failures with remediation or in the process of remediation:

**First Year Classes** with failures, remedial programs/re-examinations

Foundations of Medicine: Three students failed the course (1 successfully remediated, 1 student will repeat the course Fall Semester 2015.)

Skin Musculoskeletal Medicine: One student failed the course  
(student will repeat the course Fall Semester 2015)

Neurological Medicine: Three students failed the course (*three were offered a remedial exam.*)

Hematology, Immunology and Oncology – Three students failed the course (three were offered a remedial exam).

Social and Behavioral Medicine – still in progress

Rural Medical Scholars Program – still in progress

**Second Year Classes** with failures, remedial programs/re-examinations: Cardiovascular Respiratory Renal Acid Base I (CRRAB I): One student failed the course and will repeat the course Fall Semester 2015.

Cardiovascular, Respiratory Renal Acid Base II (CRRAB II):  
One student failed the course (successfully remediated)

Gastrointestinal Medicine: All passed

Hormonal and Reproductive Medicine: One student failed the  
Course (student offered a remedial exam).

4. Dismissals/Withdrawals: None
5. Successful Completion of USMLE, Step 1:

Second year students from the 2014-2015 academic year are currently in the process of studying for the USMLE, Step 1.

98 percent of 2nd year students passed the USMLE, Step 1 on their first attempt in 2014.

That class achieved an average score of 229. One student failed and is currently preparing to re-take the exam.

6. Transfers to other medical schools  
None

Two recommendations are made to the Assembly at this time.\* They are:

1. All second year students who have successfully completed all course requirements for the first and second years of the curriculum are recommended for transition.
2. All first year students who successfully complete all course requirements for the first year curriculum are recommended for promotion to the second year.

\*Note that all students who are not currently in good standing for promotion or transfer will be promoted only upon successful completion of the necessary requirements.

This report is respectfully submitted for acceptance by the School Assembly.

Ruth Westra, D.O., M.P.H  
Chair  
Duluth Scholastic Standing Committee

U of Minnesota Medical School Duluth Scholastic Standing Committee Member Roster, 2013-2014:

Mustafa al'Absi, PhD.  
Jeff Adams, M.D.  
James Allen, Ph.D.  
Lynne Bemis, Ph.D.  
Robin Michaels, Ph.D. (Ex-Officio)  
Patricia Scott, Ph.D.  
Mary Owen, M.D.  
Ruth Westra, D.O., M.P.H. (Chair)  
Andrea Weier (second year student)  
Nicole Noyes (first year student)