



RPCC Meeting **February 23, 2024**

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Attendees: Drs, S. Anderson, J. Desy, G. Bendiak, A. Bromley, K. Busche, A. Gausvik, N. Lear, M. Lee, P. Lee, A. Ramaliu, J. Ornstein, A. Randhawa, C. Svrcek, S. Weeks (Chair), T. Wu, Ms. S. Sullivan (Admin), S.A Facchini, S. Ivaturi, M. Paget, Ms. G. Taneja

Regrets: Drs, A. Bass, A. Harvey, K. Huartson, M. Mintz, Mr. M. Bondok, Ms. Kathy Fu, J. Kreutz, Ms. S. Leskosky, V. Joe, M. Sobczak

Call to Order:

The meeting was conducted via Zoom and was called to order at by Dr. S. Weeks (Chair) at 10:32am. Gave a brief overview of the meeting, Territorial Acknowledgement and welcomed members.

Announcements:

Dr. Amy Gausvik informed the committee that the Association Faculties of Medicine of Canada (AFMC) has been giving out awards. Dr. Lindsay Crowshoe is receiving a lifetime achievement award for his role in indigenous advocacy and Dr. Pam Roach is receiving an emerging leaders indigenous advocacy award. They are both being recognized nationally for their work.

Dr. Weeks informed the committee that Dr. Pam Roach is now the O'Brien Institute associate scientific director -population health. Dr. Gausvik informed the committee that both her and Dr. Wu have been working to help organize the indigenous health half days in Block 2. She will meet with Dr. Bass regarding Block 3 and with Dr. Murray Lee to discuss Block 1.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Mr. Vak Joe **Seconded:** Dr. J. Desy

All in favor

Approval of Minutes from January 19, 2024

Motion: Dr. G. Bendiak **Seconded:** Dr. P. Lee (via email)

All in favor



STANDING UPDATES

4.1 STUDENT REPORTS

Class of 2026: Ms. Randhawa and Mr. Ivaturi

Alam and Shiva informed the committee that the Class received an email from Dr. Adam Bass informing them do not have asynchronous weeks in Block 3 which is now causing a lot of stress for the students. They shared concerns about wellness and opportunities to see family prior to clerkship. This asynchronous time was also an opportunity to complete any remedial work. Alam and Shiva have encouraged the students to seek out supports through the UME and SAWH.

They informed the committee that Block 2 is going well. They continue to have regular meetings with Dr. Wu and are happy to report that immediate changes that have been made were positively received. They recently met with Dr. Sarah Anderson for some feedback on part B of the OSCE.

Dr. Bendiak informed the students that unit 8 is quite different from the other units. The goal is to review content covered. From an evaluation perspective, it will be like other weeks drawing all cards that are appropriate to reference for that week and that will form the bases of the unit exam.

Dr. Wu will meet with Alam and Shiva to review the unit 8 plan. The plan is to pull relevant cards decks for every half day. Those decks will be the most testable and it will be very clear what will be on the exams.

Class of 2025:

Mr. Joe informed the committee they are all very excited to be in clerkship. Thanked everyone for getting them to this point. He did report that a student was working access and worked ~100 hours during the first two weeks of clerkship. He did inform the student to fill out the feedback survey form and will let them know to contact Dr. Busche.

He informed the committee they are currently in their elective block. They are hoping to hear if they received a grant for reusable lab coats and a grant for LMCC prep materials for pre clerks. He reported that burnout is very real for the Class of 2024, especially after CaRMS interviews but appreciate the RIME structure with having asynchronous weeks. Dr. Busche informed the committee that there is a working group composed of the UME and PGME Deans that are working on streamlining the CaRMS process in hopes that could reduce some of the burnout over time.

4.2 UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE UPDATE – Dr. Bromley

Nothing to report since the last UMEC Meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 1, 2024.



4.3 CLERKSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE – Dr. K. Busche

Dr. Busche informed the committee that the *Class of 2024* is now in the rank order phase of the CaRMS match process. They have been encouraged to enter a rank order list early - the deadline for editing is February 29th at 3pm EST. He will be sending out a reminder to the Class today.

The clerkship OSCE was recently completed, and results should be released soon. A competency committee interim meeting was recently held and students that are behind on their EPAs have been identified.

Class of 2025 just completed their first core 4-week block to start clerkship and now working through some elective blocks.

There continue to be issues surrounding visiting electives that were reported. Dr. Busche will be discussing at ICAM about the experience with the AFMC portal and that are still a small number of electives that have clinical prerequisites. At the UME AMFC Deans group, Dr. Busche offered to draft a position statement that they are hoping will be adopted nationally that will eliminate any prerequisites.

He informed the committee that Synergy is a third-party platform that provides a service to schools that use them to verify completed vaccinations, N95 completions, police checks, etc. Synergy made errors, charged students a fee and refused refunds. Dr. Busche will be attending the AFMC clerkship meeting and add this to the agenda.

Class of 2026 have their first introduction into clerkship on March 12, 2024. He is hopeful that the Class of 2026 will benefit from a new “Selectives” rotation. These would be two-week rotations giving students exposure to clinical areas that they have not previously experienced. This would improve clerkship capacity.

The Southern Alberta Medical Program still is planning the expansion into Lethbridge and potentially other Alberta sites which will increase the number of clerks though the UCLIC program. Dr. Busche will be meeting with UCLIC and DLRI over the next couple of weeks to discuss this further.

Dr. Busche also informed the committee that following the mock accreditation there were a few issues that were raised that they will be dealing with: call room availability, locker and study space in hospitals, logbook completion, work hours issues and a more regular review of clinical presentations in clerkship.

4.4 STUDENT EVALUATION COMMITTEE UPDATE – Dr. Desy & Dr. Bendiak

Dr. Desy informed the committee that there has not been a SEC meeting since the end of January and the next meeting will take place in March. No new policies to report at this time. There was a Competency Committee meeting held at the end of January and results have been released. An interim meeting will be held to check in on the completion of the tasks that the



committee had recommended for each individual student before the next block competency meeting which are in the process of arranging.

4.5 ACADEMIC TEAM UPDATE (Mr. Mike Paget)

Dr. Weeks reported in Mr. Paget's absence. She informed the committee that major server outages have been happening again. It involves the server that houses Freshsheet and cards - which is maintained by main campus.

A huge thank you to Dr. Jade Goliath who's been working hard helping identify the issues with profanity filters for closed captioning - these have successfully been turned off through work with the Taylor Institute.

NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Reporting Templates

Dr. Weeks briefly reviewed the RPCC course report checklist with the committee. She asked the committee to review the templates and to provide any feedback to both her and Dr. Harvey.

5.2 CIOC TOR – Dr. A. Harvey

Nothing was reported in Dr. Harvey's absence.

5.3 ADT Formative Exams – Dr. Desy

Dr. Desy informed the committee that they are moving the Associate Dean's Test into the RIME curriculum. These are formative exams that are done at various timepoints within the curriculum. This is another opportunity for students to do practice questions and get feedback. The first exam is created and Dr. Desy is hoping to find an open time, potentially at the end of a review session, administer the exam in person in an invigilated manner. This could be more helpful to the students to use it as a real practice exam, and this would also be more helpful to the program in terms of student performance on questions that were used in the legacy curriculum.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02pm

Next meeting – April 5, 2024 at 1030am

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