



**Student Education Group**  
**3/3/15**  
**Minutes**

**Members unable to attend:** Karl Kristiansen, Brian Till, Will Manning, Caleb Seufert,

**Members in attendance:** Ben Clements, Emily Schloff, Jenna Arruda, Bryan Brown (Lync), Sarah Thompson, Nicholas Field, Reiko Sakai (lync), Dr. Jeffries, Dylan Hershkowitz (lync), , Liz Carson, Rachel Carlson, Charlotte Hastings, Pete Seymour

**Minutes by:** Rachel Carlson

**Chairperson:** Jenna Arruda

**Guests:** Darlene Peterson (Clerkships), Astia Roper-Baker

**Lync use for in class questions Proposal (Astia Roper-Batker)**

- Astia is proposing Q-chat, an idea to use Lync for students to ask the TAs questions during lecture. The goal is empower students to ask questions, keep lecture punctual, and gather information on trouble concepts. Jill Jemison is on board and interested in making a chat space for Q chat and a trial during NMGI.
- Potential concerns involved course director opinions and specific TA responsibilities. With SEG voiced SEG support, Astia is going to move forward to implement a trial within the month

**Foundations Formative Exam (Liz)**

- Liz brought up a question on the purpose of Formative Exams assigned the first week of each foundations course. First year students have expressed anxiety over the purpose of these exams and the low scores contribute to decreased moral and confidence. She is going to follow up with Dr. Tracy.
- It was mentioned that Firecracker Flashcards could be a good resource to reinforce old topics. A follow up with Firecracker resulted in a price discrepancy and the service may be out of reach of the budget.

**SEG Contribution to Mud Season Retreat (Liz and Ben)**

- Liz and Ben met with Dr. Low to discuss a presentation on the “Top Techniques to use in Power Point” to be given at Mud Season Retreat. A survey will be distributed to students inquiring on the most effective Power Point qualities.

**Advising Improvements (Nick)**

- The Residency Wiki is in progress.

- Nick directed SEG to the Drexel Med Career Development Center website which includes helpful residency information. Dean Zehle is interested in what a website for UVM COM should include. She also wants to ensure advising is standardized and cross checked with specialty advisors.
- Jenna, Bryan, Sarah all are willing to help. Nick will also send an additional email with extra information.
  - Side Note Update on formative quiz annotations: Dr. Tracy has included references to Power Point locations for weekly Formative Exam answers in NMGI. First year students confirmed these are appearing on the exams and student feedback will be sought regarding annotations on end of course evaluations.

#### **SEG Reps for Clerkships (Nick)**

- Nick discussed the differences between his away rotation and the same rotation in Vermont. Darlene agreed Clerkship information not being reviewed consistently by an objective reader. To strengthen evaluation, the Oasis evaluations can be modified so students assess the outlined objectives for each Clerkships. Dr. Bertsch is considering implementation for the Class of 2017.
- Dr. Jeffries discussed the challenge of the multiple variables in Clerkships and also the changing nature of Clerkships among flights.
- SEG has permission to read Oasis evaluations and next steps involve assigning a SEG rep as an objective reader to the process.

#### **Course Website Development (Pete)**

- Pete has been building a web interface and is interested in what it could be useful for. Potential for site to be used for information distribution rather than using Facebook.
- Primary concerns are on maintaining site, potential copyright problems with curriculum material, and information overload for students. Next step is to check in with Jill Jemison regarding use and potential violations.

#### **Convergence and DIV Review (Nick and Jenna)**

- Nick has DIV review complete. Jenna has Convergence review complete. Sarah and/ or Reiko may present at Foundations Committee.

#### **MCC/Clerkship / Foundations Committee Elections**