

Stony Brook School Of Medicine
Faculty Senate Meeting
June 24, 2003

Dr. Irving Krukenkamp (Presiding)
Dr. James Weisberg (Recording)

Dr. Krukenkamp called the meeting to order at 5:05.

I. Review of Minutes:

The minutes were distributed to all in attendance. There being no changes, the minutes were accepted as is.

II. Dean's Report

Overall, again Stony Brook had a good year

A. Recruited good academic clinicians.
Recruitment plans proceed

B. Budget is Optimistic overall

1. Departments have tightened budgets

All departmental budgets look good.

11.5% cut in state support (was worst-case scenario).

5-6% should return if \$1,200.00 tuition increase occurs
more realistic to expect \$950.00 increase

Still unknown how much will be taken off the budget when approved next month in Albany

However-Encouraged by:

- No additional budget cuts requested by President.
- State Comptroller said state budget in check.

C. LCME Report

The report is in. It lists strengths then identifies area in or not in compliance.

1. One strength they noted is a very good collegial atmosphere and coherence.

2. Curriculum is an area of Substantial non-compliance:

- Deficient - "too decentralized"
- Not enough monitoring
- Student advising must be integrated with increased resources.
- Must ID students at risk earlier.

- Counseling systems deficient due to the fact that counseling is done by faculty
- Biohazards/biosafety course given too late-it should be during first year
- Faculty should get more regular feedback regarding academic performance and promo.

a) Dr. Jack Stern is stepping down as Chair of the Curriculum Committee.

Peter Williams is the new Chair of Curriculum Committee

b) Improvement Plans

1. Recruiting for education specialist to review current content.

2. Student advising – halftime MD to do career/academic advisory in a more comprehensive manner than currently done.

3. Faculty advising/development – how to deal with it.

Transition issues:

1. Leadership Changes
2. Increased student expenses
3. Financial pressures on the school
4. Facilities upgrades

Need an educational center (Information Technology/Mannequins, actors, simulators)

LCME – May have a focused revisit in 04/05 year

D. Dean's Search

Dr. Peter Glass has stepped down as Chair of the search committee

Dr. Cristina Leske has accepted the position as Chair

New candidates will first meet with President Kenny. If compatible with President, they will proceed with the interview process

Goal is to bring candidates with similar backgrounds and from similar organizations.

Dr. Kallus: Do any other schools have President interview first? Does this change the willingness of the candidate?

The Dean was unable to comment.

Dr. Priebe: Does the President understand the economics of what faculty is concerned about

- There was discussion about CPMP.

III. AP&T Committee

1. Membership: Need basic science and clinical members.
Two members stepped down in September
 - Need to recruit 2 basic scientists and 2 clinicians.
 - Plans to approach chairs to find new members.

 - AP & T – recruitment continues at higher level

2. Review AP & T process – submission and review
 - 3-month goal from document completion to giving recommendation to the Dean.
 - Did well until now, but beginning to fall behind.

YEAR	NUMBER OF REVIEWS
99-2000	54
2000-2001	58
2001-2002	62 – 13 waiting 16 assigned – 7 began 3 months waiting

3. Described Educator/Clinician tenure track

IV. Academic Standing Committee- Dr. Shiavone (for Dr. Fischel)

1. Membership
Composition = 12 members (4 basic, 4 clinical, 4 mixture) no more than from one dept.
Needs 2 members
Participants needed attend for committee to function properly.

2. Purpose: Reviews student performance and status
 - Professional behaviors/conduct
 - This year two 2nd year students and two first year students had to repeat the year due to academic difficulties

- Working on a support system.

Dr. Morrison: Unfortunately, faculty are not privy to student performance in other courses. Without knowing what students are at risk when they enter your course, it is difficult to help (intervene) students with difficulties early on.

Possible agenda item for next senate meeting: How and when to identify students at risk early on.

Vote passed for Ron Jasiewicz

V. Student Admissions Committee Dr. Jungers

Dr. Jungers reviewed information in handout provided to attendees

7 members rotated off the committee
4 new members have been identified to join

VI. Faculty Assistance Committee Dr. Kallus

Dr. Kallus provided some history about the committee

- Purpose:
To find an avenue within the institution (i.e. union) to resolve issues or to hear the issue itself

Only one request in the past three years since the committee has been convened

Referrals can come from self, Chair or the Dean's office.

VII. Curriculum Committee Dr. Jack Stern

Discussed the past year

- A). Course Reviews:
1. We did not review content, which is what LCME recommended
 2. We review the delivery (manner of) the courses

Approved that courses during the first two years directed by a basic scientist must have clinical Co-director & vice versa (Clinical courses must have basic science Co-Director)

- B). Curriculum Task Force-other changes

1. Nutrition – lectures now to be distributed throughout other courses.
2. 4 half-days of clinical exposure are to occur during first two years.
3. 2nd year directors – In order to reduce the number of exams, two systems per exam for two courses / system and work towards making all exams electronic.
4. Pharmacology course will be distributed to match along with systems starting in one year (it stays it's own course with own grading).

Dr. Edelman – LCME provided valid criticism that need to review content of courses.

Peter Williams – on agenda for July meeting.

Should we consider having a “Core of Educators.”?

Dr. Edelman–LCME doesn't care how we accomplish our goals, as long as we accomplish them.

Peter Williams - Jack Stern will remain on the Curriculum Committee as a basic Scientist.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm