Notes from the Curriculum Management and Policy Steering Committee Meeting

June 19, 2003, 7:00 a.m. in 133 MacNider

Members Present/Absent: McCartney, Chair; Drs. Aleman, Chaney, Dent, Gwyther, Hoole, Ingersoll, Rao, Shaheen, Tresolini, Yankaskas; Lewis

1. Notes from June 5, 2003: Please send corrections to Dr. McCartney.

2. Draft Student Survey Synopsis for LCME Committees and 2003 AAMC Medical School Graduation Questionnaire: Dr. McCartney pointed out handouts in the members’ packets. She said in reference to the Graduation Questionnaire, the LCME site team will be looking closely at this questionnaire, especially Question 19 on Page 25, “Overall I am satisfied with my medical school education?” She noted we are above the national average overall with satisfaction. Dr. McCartney pointed out that this report reflects the thinking of those who have just graduated. Dr. Tresolini said that the student committee did a survey for each class, but some of the questions are the same across all four classes. They are planning to do an across each year analysis and will make a full report with comments.

3. LCME Question: Do the courses and the curriculum undergo a systematic yearly review? Dr. Shaheen discussed with the group the problem in answering this question. He said there is no formal structure in place in the CD committees for a systematic yearly review. Dr. McCartney reminded the group that we do survey the students at the end of each course and send the evaluation reports to the course directors, as well as the USMLE and CPX results. Discussion followed about prior efforts to review the courses. Dr. Tresolini stressed the importance of not only evaluating the content of each course but a critical review of the curriculum as a whole. After further discussion, Dr. McCartney asked the group to continue the discussion at the next meeting in order to develop a plan for how we would like to improve our procedures in this area.

4. Problem-Based Case for Fall MS1: Dr. Aleman reported that Dr. Wallace had responded that he did not have the time to coordinate this Case. Dr. Wallace had given him three names of persons who could possibly coordinate it. Dr. Tresolini mentioned Dr. Cherri Hobgood and said that she will approach her. Dr. McCartney reminded the members that they had discussed having a life support session, possibly a blood drawing demonstration with persons from the Lab assisting. She said that Ms. Lewis is looking into this. This would fit nicely before Community Week. Dr. McCartney asked that the members follow up on this item at the next meeting.

5. Merrimon Lecture: Dr. McCartney told the members that the CMPC Committee would become the selection committee for the the Merrimon Lectureship. There is sufficient money for advertising the event, for a distinguished speaker’s remuneration, and a reception. Plans will be discussed in future meetings.

6. Next CMPC Meeting: The members discussed the possibility of canceling the next regularly scheduled meeting on July 3. The members agreed to cancel that meeting and re-schedule the meeting for Thursday, July 10.