



Chicago Medical Student Council Dialogue with the Deans March 3, 2009

Introduction:
Carrie Nieman

Deans:

Dean Lantz
Dean Sandlow
Dean Kashima
Dean Mayer
Dean Flaherty
Dean Dontes

Presentations:

Dean Mayer- Curriculum Changes for M3/M4

M1 – increased alignment of curricular content, foundation of “base of knowledge” in first four weeks, decompressed biochemistry and nutrition, reduced redundancies and reduced lecture time by 11%

M2 – Decompressed first half of spring semester, integration of CPP/pathology exam, basic science clinical case conferences

Results: decreased number of students in academic trouble, decreased number of repeat summer students, increased NBME part I scores, increased student satisfaction

M1/2 continued improvements: ECM revamp, recording of lectures, changes to anatomy lecture

M3/4 – Revisions to ECPP – scheduling of course work, clinical and procedural skills, high-fidelity simulation. Reinforce skills throughout the year (6x)

Areas for improvement: Standardizing evaluations during clerkships, resident and faculty teaching, specialty track rotations (timing, interviewing, uncoupling of specialty grades, options).

Dean Kashima - Student Oasis

Area joining the medical school to the adjacent buildings

Would like to be able to offer food, coffee, study space, WiFi, electrical outlets

Planning intended to be completed by July

Student Lobby Day

John Annes

Now is actually a good time to ask for money with regard to the renovations, funds that were recommended for us was given to private schools. Need to make sure that those making decisions are keeping our interests in mind. Working on scheduling a round table discussion with district representatives; in addition to other legislators Will be giving them a tour of the school so that they can see directly what is needed.

April 1 Lobby Day in Springfield

Preliminary LCME Survey Data

Liz Podczerwinski and Adam Meisel (primary contacts)

Carrie Nieman (presenting)

Dissatisfied with administration awareness of student concerns and responsiveness, had no option regarding counseling services, satisfied with health care services, satisfied with student advancement policies, dissatisfied with facilities (lecture halls, study space, etc), dissatisfied with clerkship scheduling and timeliness of grading/feedback

The Survey will be open for a couple more weeks through the spring, self-study report will be finalized in the summer.