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UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION MEMORANDUM

To: Ms. Georgina Moore, Secretary of the Senate
From: Dr. Anthony Sanfilippo, Associate Dean, Undergraduate Medical Education
Date: October 4, 2010
Re: ORIENTATION REPORT 2009 – School of Medicine
Attachments: Orientation Week 2010 Student Feedback Survey Results

Orientation Week for the Class of Meds 2014 was jointly organized by the Undergraduate Office of the School of Medicine and by the Student Orientation Committee (2nd year medical students). It was designed to introduce the students to the medical profession, to the campus, to the city of Kingston, and to each other.

On September 1st the incoming students were welcomed by the new Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences, Dr. Richard Reznick, as well as by the Associate Dean, a representative from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, the President of the Aesculapian Society, and key Faculty members. A Mentor Lunch followed, where new students were introduced to their Faculty mentors and upper year students.

Many social activities were planned throughout the week, which included a lunch, partially sponsored by the Kingston Economic Development Corporation, at which the class had an opportunity to view plans and drawings of the new medical building that is taking shape on Arch St. The plans were brought in by the Faculty of Health Office of Advancement. Other activities included a Formal Dinner and Dance, a Movie Night, a History Tour and Hippocratic Oath ceremony by torchlight at the lake, a 1000 Islands boat cruise, and various athletic competitions (Amazing Race, Worst Nautical Engineer Boat Race, and Corn Maze & BBQ).

On Friday morning the students attended a memorial service in the Department of Anatomy, to make them aware of the privilege of working with cadavers as part of their education in human anatomy.

The students each paid \$125 for the week's events (including a T-shirt.) Any remaining funds were deposited into the class account.

It appeared that this year's orientation was very successful (see attached survey) and without any serious incidents.

Orientation Week 2010
Student Feedback Survey (Meds 2014)
September 2010
51 out of 101 incoming students responded

1. Did you find Orientation Week overwhelming?

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| a) Overwhelming | 13.7% |
| b) Just right | 86.3% |
| c) Not enough content/activities | 0% |

2. On Thursday morning of the 1st week (Sept 2), you had presentations by three faculty who spoke about their different career paths in medicine.

Did you find it useful to hear their stories?

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| a) Yes | 84.3% |
| b) No | 15.7% |

3. Referring to question 2, did the session make you think differently about what you might like to pursue in medicine?

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| a) Yes | 29.4% |
| b) No | 70.6% |

4. Referring to question 2, did the session make you feel welcome?

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| a) Yes | 98% |
| b) No | 2% |

5. Did the “PEARLS OF WISDOM” session make you feel welcome?

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| a) Yes | 100% |
| b) No | 0% |

6. Did you find the “Curricular Overview” session with Drs. Sanfilippo, Gibson and Davidson on Friday morning useful?

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| a) Yes | 90.2% |
| b) No | 9.8% |

7. How would you rank the overall “Orientation Week” experience?

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| a) Had a great time | 80.4% |
| b) It was OK | 19.6% |
| c) Got bored | 0.0% |

8. How would you rank the overall organization of events?

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| a) Well organized | 56.9% | c) Poor | 7.8% |
| b) Good | 35.3% | d) Very poor | 0% |