October 28, 2004

Minutes of Curriculum Committee for MIH
Meeting no.19
Wednesday 20 October 2004, 15:00-16:30
The Department of International Health

Present:
Jody Boffa (JB), Leonard Plain(LP), Kessie Gladstone (K), Jean Nadebega (JN), Godfredah Mugala(GM), Helle Samuelsen(HS), Marianne Dithmer(MD), Dan Meyrowitsch (DM)

Absent:
Simeon Nyabenda(SN), Tania Dræbel (TD), Lene Blegvad (LB)

Agenda

1. Approval of the agenda
2. Approval of the minutes
3. Election of Vice-chairman
4. General Information.
5. Students issues
6. Personal matters.
7. Date for next meeting(s)
8. Remaining issues

1. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved with a new point 3: Election of vicechairman

2. Approval of the minutes

The minutes were approved without any comments.

3. Election of Vice-chairman

Students preferred to wait with the election until all students representatives where assembled. It was agreed that they could just inform the rest of the committee about their choice; 26 October MD was informed that Godfredah Mugala was elected as vice chair-women

4. General Information.

- HS informed about a change in study secretaries: Birgitte Gantriis has been the responsible study secretary from week 41 and continue as such up to the leave for India.
- HS informed about the concept of "subject directors" and study secretaries: At each module a lecture will be in charge/responsible for the running of the course and a study secretary will do most of the administrative work and assist students when needed.
- In India HS will be subject director and the staff in Vellore will assist with administrative work and questions from students. MD and Birgitte Gantriis will assist when they are around.
  Regarding Module 2; Franziska Matthies will be the subject director and MD will be study secretary
- HS presented the recent suggestion from the ministry to cut the support to non-EU/EØS students. At the moment the universities get about 35.000. - DKK for each student who passes their exams pr. year no matter which nationality they have. This decision will mean a

severe reduction in funds for the MIH-education because most of our students are from non-EU/EØS countries.
The faculty is aware of this situation and has on the basis of feed back from the department formulated a feed back to the Ministry. Deadline for feedback is 28 October and we therefore await the response from this date.

- HS introduced the two weeks teaching after coming back from India. It is meant as help and not in that senses obligatory. The 13 and 15 of December in the afternoon there will be a possibility of an introduction to Medline.

5. Students issues:

- Students would prefer to have one day between day of exams and the day of the flight. GM asked on behalf of the group if the DFC could go to the airport as a group. HS said that students use to find out by them self's. But that she new that the normally went in smaller groups.
- Students find that the readings are a lot. HS replied that it was difficult to make it less. Because a certain amount of ECTS normally gives a certain amount of pages to read. The total number is 1000 pages and it is normal in a Danish context.
- HS asked if students had any questions for the trip to India but no questions were raised. MD therefore advised the students to collect questions etc for her and communicate through the group room. PUNKT.KU

Follow up on student's issues from last time:

- KG asked for an introduction to the Danish health system: MD will try to make a full day programme together with representatives from the "Rigshospitalet" during module 2
- It is unfortunately not possible for the department to provide students with a Microwave in the kitchen at the moment. It might be possible when we move but we can not promise anything

6. Personal matters

Nothing.

7. Date for next meeting

20 January 15-16.30

8. Remaining issues

- KG asked for information about the plans for moving to KH. It was decided to make a session of general information in Class during the first week after returning to Denmark (6-10/12 December.)
- MD asked the students to remind their fellow students to give in their evaluation forms Wednesday next week.

For the minutes
Marianne Dithmer