



The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School

Dell Medical Student Senate: AGENDA

Date: 01/22/18

Time: 6 - 7:30pm

Location: HLB, Conf Rm 4.105

Meeting Type: Senate Meeting

Called By: Brooke Wagen

New Agenda Items: xx/xx/xx	Prep Materials	Presenter	Time Allotted
1. Approve Minutes from 12/11/17	•	Brooke	5 min
2. Introduction, etc. of Senate members to each other	• Your imagination	Brooke	10 min
3. MS2 grading	• Discussion on p/f/h	Toli	10 min
4. Open Time			10 min
5. Emergency Item (if needed)			5 min
6. Coffee Break	updates and future plans	Virginia and Taylor	10 min
7. Society roles	Discussion for future, perhaps a task force?	Brooke	5 min
8. Senate Get to know You Event 2018	A social event to get to know one another better: finalize date and choose venue.	Brooke? Someone plz take over...	5 min
9. Senate orientation feedback	At the very end of the meeting, how do the new members feel about their preparation?	New MS2 Dellegates	10 min
10.			

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

MS1:

Khaled Abdelrahman, Dekoia Burton, Charlotte Heron, Megan Lewis, Will Squiers, Taylor Taliaferro

MS2:

Anatoli Berezovsky, Woody Green, Brooke Wagen, Virginia Waldrop, Aydin Zahedi, Anish Patel



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Absent: Leonard Edwards, Jonathan Lopez

Quorum Met (Need 9 members): Yes

Also Present: Tamara Wood

- 1) Approve Minutes from 12/11/2017
 - a) Motion to Approve: Virginia Waldrop
 - b) Seconded: Dekoia Burton
 - c) Approved: Yes, Unanimously
- 2) Introductions
 - a) Name
 - b) What soup or smoothie most identify with as a person
- 3) MS2 Grading
 - a) Honors, Pass, Fail – Designed to make students work hard, support value based, evidence based skills but in practice, doesn't seem like you may be graded fairly. Still just 'meeting expectations' even if you are going above and beyond. Do we need motivation to work hard? Do we need to set ourselves apart?
 - b) Coaching from Clerkship Directors could possibly help alleviate this
 - c) Pediatrics might have a culture that actually hurts you if you DON'T declare you are going for honors
 - d) The feeling is that working hard is a better indicator of honors – not the blue column in the rubric
 - e) Next Steps: Discuss with UMEC, Look holistically at percentages of honors for the clerkships
 - f) Woody to talk to Luann: Perhaps have UMEC have dinner with range of MS2 students 1-2 times to hear the varying views
- 4) Open Time:
 - a) Will & Charlotte: Looking for real world Austin stuff to put on the website (send to Will+Charlotte)
 - b) Approved to be on Student Government
 - c) Steve: Would like to put together a working group for inclement weather policies for clerkship students (4 people max, meeting in the next 2 weeks) Brooke, Megan, Toli, Anish
- 5) Emergency Time:
- 6) Coffee Break:
 - a) Let's go over either Wednesday evening or Thursday morning, need lots of help rallying the troops
 - b) Helpful if any MS2s can attend and/or you could send personal invitations
- 7) Society Roles:
 - a) How do we beef up the roles of societies?
 - b) Come up with a Society tradition for each semester?
 - i) Khaled to do board for Tower
 - ii) Brooke to do board for Capitol
 - c) Points for Attending Talks

Updates:



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Update from the Committee Task Force: Megan and Dekoia are meeting with all committees to assess any plans for the upcoming semester and how Senate can best support their endeavors this semester. More updates/potential action items as we gather data from these meetings. If there is anything anyone wants discussed with any of the committees (e.g. UMEC or Student Wellness) at these meetings, talk to Megan or Dekoia.

Update on Dell Med Know it:

We will be moving on from adding academic information to the website to adding more practical information for incoming students given the soon to be incoming class. We are going to be including the map of Dell med students and housing situations in Austin, an FAQ page, etc. The plan is to have as much of that info up as possible by preview weekend (February 24th) so that it can be shared with students who attend, so we have plenty of time!

From student body feedback form:

Fun idea: to encourage student attendance for speakers and different events, society points should be awarded for each student/society that attends! While I get that we're all busy, it's kind of sad when there are speakers who want to meet medical students, but don't get to because nobody shows up.