
Minutes

Present: Cates, Choma, Dzewaltowski, Larson, Montelone (attending for Freeman), Procter, Retzlaff, Rosenkranz, Stevenson

Absent: Barrett, Freeman, Fung

1. Dr. Cates called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.
2. The minutes from February 11, 2010 meeting were approved.
3. Dr. Choma provided an update on the Summer Undergraduate Residency in Public Health (SURPH) program for 2010. This summer it is scheduled for June 1 through July 23. They are planning for 12 students and will run the course similar to last year.
4. Dr. Montelone provided an update on One Health Kansas. There will be a workshop this summer for teachers run through the College of Education on Food Safety. It will be one week long and focus on high school family and consumer science teachers.
5. The amended BS/MPH option was approved by the MPH faculty. The final vote was: 44 faculty voting; 40 in favor of the option and 4 opposed. The measure will be on March 22 agenda for the Graduate School's Course and Curriculum committee.
6. Dr. Cates reported on the phone conversation with Missouri and their recent CEPH site visit (March 8 & 9). Their model is similar to ours in that they are interdisciplinary and have some courtesy appointments. They have a staff of 5 and tuition dollars do flow through the MPH office. They pay partial appointments for some faculty. We will need to explain the flow of dollars from tuition to our program.
7. Competencies for each emphasis area and associated requirements. Dr. Cates reminded the group that he welcomes their input for their specific area of emphasis.
8. GRE scores discussion centered on the value of the test. Historically, the test score has not been used to eliminate anyone from the program, but it has been used to admit students when their grades were borderline. It is used as a predictor of success. After much discussion, it was decided that we will continue to request the GRE test, but a minimum score will not be published. Also, the group agreed that the Director has the authority to waive it for prospective students in appropriate situations (e.g., one who has taken all of his/her coursework at K-State and has been admitted into the College of Veterinary Medicine without the GRE).
9. Information / Updates on 2010 Excellence in Public Health at K-State Recognition scheduled for April 5. Food has been ordered. Invitations have been sent and the magnets the students will distribute are on order.

10. Dates and location of future meetings (below). Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. Time will be 1:00 to 2:30 pm.

- April 8 – 112 Trotter Hall
- May 13 – 209 Union
- June 10 – 112 Trotter Hall
- July 8 – 209 Union

11. The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm.