

Teaching / Learning Committee
Meeting Minutes
Nov. 8, 2009 Boston Marriott Hotel

Present: Karen Brewer, Nadine Dexter, Rick Forsman, Lauren Maggio, Kerry O'Rourke, Cynthia Robinson, Chris Shaffer, Julie Sollenberger, Linda Watson.

Report from LiME/AAHSL Joint Task Force: Three new members have been added as replacements. The TF will handle applying to mount the online module on MedEd Portal when its completed. Meanwhile, they are working toward spring testing of an early version during at least some of the regional GEA meetings, with full module delivery for the fall 2010 AAMC annual meeting. The TF prepared a poster for the fall 2009 AAMC annual meeting and has created a list of potential local instructors and labs to support the MERC workshop on information skills. The Board stressed that financial resources are available to assist the TF in timely completion of the online module.

Report from the Education Research Task Force: Jerry Perry and Jo Dorsch have committed to writing an abstract and a full paper on the literature analysis completed last spring. There was discussion on the future of the TF and ensuring continuity through retention of involved members, and it was AGREED to ask the Board to dissolve the TF and fold it into the T/LC. Nadine and Liz are keenly interested in supporting the research agenda. It was suggested that AAHSL members would benefit from having easy access to current listings of GEA representatives, and Chris agreed to add links to AAHSL web pages to accomplish this. Rick was tasked with preparing a semi-annual report on GEA activities that can keep T/LC and the general membership apprised of relevant work.

The AAHC/AMIA proposal for a common informatics curriculum is still searching for a funder. Rick will contact AMIA for more details about what is currently being done to secure funds so that this valuable project can move forward.

This year has provided new insights into how AAMC and GEA operate, especially the very informal and often slow manner in which move ahead. AAHSL offers a higher degree of organization and efficient communication vehicles.

Additional budget requests can be submitted through December.

Based on discussion in Boston, Rick will send Cynthia an updated and expanded version of the implementation plan, then a refined version will be distributed to the full committee and Board.

ADDENDUM: On November 9 Rick attended the business meeting of the RIME section. Attendees strongly supported the concept of joint RIME/AAHSL

research activity, and they agreed on two areas of focus for such collaboration. Rick will follow up with communication between key individuals and will include activity targets in the revision of the T/LC implementation plan.