Student Section Meeting AGENDA

Monday, June 18, 2018

6:00pm – 8:00pm, MedChi’s **Baltimore** Office

All who attended:

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| Ben Bigelow | Nick Siegel | Neel Koyawala | Allie Berges |
| Neha Anand | Cara Plott | Colleen George | Jessica Lee (dial-in) |
| Rafa Rahman | Lucy Nam | Ved Tanavde | James Ting (dial-in) |
| Alina Spiegel | Damani Clarke (dial-in) |  |  |

1. Call to Order: 6:05 pm
2. What are important dates for upcoming events and meetings (Neel, Lucy) (10 min)
   1. Meetings, 6-8pm: July 24 (phone); August 21, September 18, October 10, November 8, December (small groups meet, Component Day, speed dating prep), January 8.
      1. To be kept as tentative meeting dates at this time
   2. Events: Support Dr. Bruno Polls (June 18); MedChi Ethics Committee Gun violence event in Osler Hall (July 11); Deadline for draft Fall HOD resolutions (August 13); TBD HAPP info sessions at Hopkins / UMD (Sept 11); MedChi HOD (Sept 22); Legislative panel (week of Sept. 24); President’s Gala (Oct. 20); Skills workshop (Week of Oct. 15 or Oct. 22); AMA MSS HOD (Nov 8-10)
      1. Will discuss HAPP recruitment event on phone meeting July 21st
      2. Jack shared that UMD would need the happy hour later in year because they cannot advertise group events until after MS1’s first exam on Sep 10th.
   3. Events to be added to MedChi Google Calendar so you can import
3. How can MedChi best contribute to Health Advocacy and Policy Partnership? Who are interested reps? (Neel) (15 min)
   1. Students at Maryland and Hopkins discussed how to collaborate about policy moving forward.
   2. This is relevant in that groups can do a combined recruitment event so students are made aware of all groups at same time.
   3. Resolution of interest was gun violence and opioid crisis.
   4. Also discussed building a toolkit about advocacy so that people from all groups are equipped to advocate for important legislation.
   5. Damani asked about other DC students being involved in MedChi, Neel stated to have them contact him so he can help introduce them and get them involved.
   6. Rafa requested to be added to mailing list for collaboration team
4. How to best recruit? [marketing / recruitment](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Bdd7qlHBme5AWmN2TqjtQ3pG0J-wcjIkMPnUE6WedE0/edit?usp=sharing) (Neha, Jess, James, Neel) (15 min)
   1. School leads, UMD: Jess and Jack; Hopkins: Neel, Cara, and Neha; DC: Damani (Who will also work as DC rep);
   2. Lucy is making a new logo to represent student section
   3. Lucy is heading up working group on marketing.
   4. Lucy will work on pamphlet listing different advocacy groups and self-selective sign-ups for the groups.
5. Discussion surrounding if DC students can be involved as a member in MedChi, if so we would have to amend MSS policy and discuss with MedChi leadership how this would work/if it allowed.
   1. DC students are working on creating a DC MSS section, but it is not yet done
   2. Rafa put forward point that membership needs to represent Maryland
   3. Neel elected to have DC rep/Liaison, but not DC members of MedChi at this point.
   4. James suggested that once DC has a MSS that Damani should attempt to have a Maryland rep.
6. How to best [educate and empower members](https://docs.google.com/document/u/0/d/1_il_WA3idbSbut79dTNAyrBivX_PqXrrrLwO3T4g8U8/edit?pli=1)? Who is point person on events (e.g., legislator panel, skills workshop)? (Lucy) (10 min)
   1. Jack, Jess, James and Cara will head up legislative panel. Can also utilize MedChi staff to email legislators to help coordinate dates.
   2. Instead of Skills Workshop we will develop 2-3 key take a ways and goals for medical students to be equipped with when advocating and try to establish a plan to meet those goals.
   3. Alina and Neha is leading up speed dating. Goal is to introduce students and physicians in a way they learn about both specialties and about what policy interest’s physicians have. Try to work with BCMA on this event to improve attendance.
      1. Follow up on these meetings in order to partner in future on resolutions will be key
7. Adjournment 7:35 pm

**Purpose**

The MedChi Medical Student Section unites, empowers, and trains medical students to advocate for better health and medical education in the state legislative process alongside other components of the Maryland Medical State Society.

**Goals**

Our 2018 goals are to:

* **Build 2-3 high-quality "spotlight" resolutions** that can be translated from resolution to House of Delegates meetings to advocacy during the 2019 General Assembly (e.g., discussion during Component Day, secure buy-in during MedChi Legislative Council). Collaborations with other MedChi components, university professors, and other student groups can be a source of high-quality, passionate ideas.
* **Rebrand MedChi MSS** so that a) what we do is more transparent and intuitive (e.g., rename or rewrite mission); b) we establish a social media presence; c) we recruit more members from various medical schools in Maryland (e.g., active member goals from all universities).
* **Establish stronger relationships with MedChi physicians** through appropriate mentorship programs and networking events
* **Educate and empower constituent members to advocate effectively (e.g., panel events, workshops)**