

BMS Graduate Program Committee

July 30, 2013

G-204 N/S

3 p.m.

Present: Alex Galazyuk, Walt Horton, Lisa Cooper, Gary Meszaros, June Yun and Yanqiao Zhang

Meeting called to order.

Approval of Minutes; motion to approve by Gary Meszaros, 2nd approval by Yanqiao Zhang; unanimous approval as they stand.

Discussion on the development of policies and procedures for TA

Discussed waiving teaching assignments for students in their first semester; if we do this it will stand out with our large cohort of students. Suggestion of starting the academic year earlier, by August 20th or so, the idea of having lab rotation start by August 1st and student will work in lab for 4 weeks and then they can do a teaching assignment; can be discussed with Eric Mintz.

Alex Galazyuk will send DRAFT Teaching Assignments to BMS Graduate Faculty and Graduate Students, give them a 1 month deadline and state that it is proposed that we will finalize the Teaching Assignment Policy after we receive their feedback.

June Yun discussed BMS Iraqi Students

Iraqi Students, getting their M.S. in the pharmacology program area; their start dates vary as it is sometimes difficult to match the student with an advisor. This cohort of students do not have much 'hands on' experience. They are not in labs for almost the first year; although when they get into a lab, they can still do their M.S. in 2 years.

Overview of financial hand-outs

Discussed funding sources with BMS; documents that were sent out prior to today's meeting. Dr. Horton will discuss the money-flow with KSU/BMS. Dr. Horton also discussed and reviewed the summary and projections of 2013-2014. Discussed 2nd tab; current pool of students. No decrease in doctoral subsidy. Comment from Gary Meszaros, get students more money to go to meetings and conferences; they need to present at these events to get the travel money. Create more money for conferences. Faculty should send students to 'local' conferences. The support is for the student; we'd like for you to attend, please do so. Maybe the Dean's (COM/COP) could find monies to support students. Dr. Meszaros had question on SSI for seminar in Medical Physiology (from the 'FY13 SSI calc' tab;

Next Meeting, will soon get in planning stages for new students; more discussion of budget.