

BMS Graduate Program Committee

June 17, 2015

Room #330 in the RGEB

3 p.m.

Present: Alex Galazyuk, Lucy Coughlin, Gary Meszaros, Bill Lynch and Margaret Weakland (support)

Meeting called to order.

Minutes from our May meeting were not distributed in time for today's meeting; we will vote on them at our next meeting or do it electronically before then.

Discussed teaching assignments for academic year, 2015-2016. According to number of graduate students we have per course; there was a question about whether or not student, Thomas Mbimba can teach Infection and Immunity. Margaret will reach out to Drs. Safadi, his advisor and DeLucia, I and I course director to get their feedback. After reviewing the DRAFT teaching assignment list a couple of very minor changes were made. Motion to approve as written with minor changes; Dr. Gary Meszaros, motioned seconded by Dr. Sam Crish; all in favor; unanimous approval.

Agenda 3; will be tabled until our next meeting. Dr. Yanqiao Zhang could not be with us for discussion.

Development of a new policy for monitoring student performance and their progress toward their degree completion. Need a policy to for year to year support for graduate student funding. The BMS Graduate Program Committee will oversee this process and will create a checklist for students as they go through the program. Also need to coordinate or efforts to put the information we need on one form; coordinate with KSU/BMS office. Are our expectation the same at KSU's expectations; they should be; same program. This committee will ultimately make the decision on whether or not student(s) should be funded. Question was raised, what are the NIH guidelines for progress in this program? We agreed that will need a checklist and that we'll perform yearly evaluation of students and will utilize a progress report for year 1, 2, 3 and 4 (by the end of each year). We will table the rest of this discussion; Bill Lynch and Sam Crish.

Miscellaneous:

Dr. Chris Malcuit, bioengineer professor at KSU/BMS has 3 (three) students that he'd like to find a home for: Dr. Bill Chilian and Liya Yin, Dr. Safadi and Dr. Gary Meszaros have shown interest in the students. They are, Jessica Krieger, Asaad Al-Adlaan and Anurag Jamaiya.

Meeting adjourned.