

School of Medicine Research Coordinating Council (RCC)

Minutes for Friday, October 28, 2005

9:00-10:00 a.m., 301 BRB II/III

Present: Gaulton, Strom, Kaestner, Lazar, Metlay, Rader, Sehgal, Gocke

Absent: Drebin, Gur, Schnall, Simon, Winston

Agenda

1. Discussion of 2005-06 RCC agenda

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Drs. Gaulton and Strom discussed the 2005-06 agenda, and requested feedback from the Committee. Several agenda items were modified, and the revised agenda is attached. RCC members have received the Executive Summary of the Strategic Plan, and will be sent the Full Research Strategic Plan as well as the Center and Institute Review (with recommendations) for discussions at a future meeting.

Members provided their impressions of the last RCC, and many noted a lack of closure and follow-up following recommendations provided to the RCC. Dr. Strom noted the importance of communication from this RCC with all SOM faculty, and suggesting that RCC progress reports could be posted on the web, with areas for comment by individual faculty. Advertisement of RCC events, including agendas and minutes, could be posted on the web site. The RCC agreed to a focused communication plan, which would provide a dialogue of academic and administrative issues. An email will be sent to SOM faculty announcing the reconstitution of the RCC, summarizing how previous issues had been addressed, and pointing people to the URL for a new RCC web site. The RCC web site will list members' names and contact information, provide the RCC agenda, and minutes of meetings. In addition, the purchase of a LCD screen to promote and publicize SOM events will be investigated.

Future RCC meetings will be scheduled for 1.5 hours on a recurring day and time, with 30 minutes reserved for guest speakers, 30 minutes for discussions, and 30 minutes reserved for emergent or urgent issues. Given the upcoming CTSA application, Dr. Garret FitzGerald will be asked to present an update on ITMAT at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Gocke