

Minutes
Evaluation Subcommittee
March 8, 2006
R1-106
12:00 p.m.

Attendance: **Drs.** Duckworth, Kellner, Rarey, Ritz, Romrell; Ms. Cooper and Ms. Karle Students Emily Goldberg, Elizabeth Lee, Kelli Crovo, and Penny Thomas Guest Juan Cendan **Staff** Marie Coleman (recording)

Dr. Rarey introduced Dr. Juan Cendan who is the Medical Director of the Harrell Center and Chair of the PBE oversight committee. The purpose of the meeting was to review the PBE evaluation guidelines. The PBE gives insight into students' performances. Dr. Kellner stated that the PBE's are a part of the system that needs continual assessment similar to evaluating courses and clerkships. There needs to be guidelines. Dr. Cendan stated that the PBE evaluation guidelines given to him from the Evaluation Subcommittee were fair and he would like to put together a format for the committee to review. Dr. Cendan stated that he had just finished reviewing the tapes from the students who needed to remediate the PBE's and was now getting ready to meet with those students and then give feedback to the course and clerkship directors. Dr. Rarey asked for the students who were present to give their feedback. Ms. Crovo, MS I, stated that she had just heard about PBE's 2 weeks ago. Dr. Cendan said that he recognized this as an area for improvement and would like to speak to the first years earlier. Ms. Thomas, MS II, stated that the length of time between the exam and the feedback was too great. Dr. Cendan agreed and they are working on a way to improve more timely feedback. Dr. Kellner said that the faculty used to sit in on the exams and give immediate feedback. Dr. Romrell agreed stating that the exam used to be given in one day. Dr. Rarey suggested that after Dr. Cendan speaks with each course and clerkship director that they put this information in their written report. Dr. Romrell stated that the objectives of the

PBE's are to help faculty be better teachers. Ms. Goldberg, MS III, stated that while she thought the PBE's were helpful they did not provide enough information as to which areas were done well and which areas needed improvement. Ms. Goldberg also stated that the 3rd year PBE's were done mainly in a clinical setting and her experience in the 3rd year has included very little clinic exposure. Ms. Lee, MS IV, stated that the PBE gave her a sense of preparedness for outside testing, but agreed with Ms. Goldberg regarding feedback. Dr. Kellner said that the object of the PBE's are to give feedback to the course and clerkship directors not the students. Dr. Kellner also stated that if meaningful information cannot be provided than it should not be given. Dr. Cendan asked what the timeline was for his office to develop this. Dr. Rarey said the fall, same time as the course and clerkship director reports.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.