

Tulane Resident and Fellow Congress
Meeting October 7, 2021
1800-1920

- I. Call to Order
 - a. See attendance on final page of minutes

- II. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Katie Cox, MD, PD of anesthesiology as interim faculty liaison (per bylaws, Assistant Dean of GME to be faculty liaison; however GME is without an assistant dean at this time, so Dr. Cox volunteered/was appointed by GMEC on 9/29 to be the interim faculty liaison to the TRFC

- III. Old business
 - a. Reminder of GME bylaws in resident handbook
<https://medicine.tulane.edu/sites/medicine.tulane.edu/files/REVISED%20GME%2020-2021%20Policies%20and%20Procedures%2010-9-20.pdf>
 - b. Status updates of various projects
 - i. Regarding downtown gym in Deming, Dr. Guidry of general surgery is the faculty contact, project on hold due to COVID. Dr. Meghan Lerner to follow up.
 - ii. Regarding proposed projects at TMC (printing stations, meal cards usage at Greenberry Coffee, change in location of resident/fellow lounge from Hutchison building to 1st floor old PPE room of TMC) point of contact is Dr. Mauldin, CMO of TMC. Dr. Pham to follow up with Dr. Mauldin

- IV. New Business
 - a. Transition of TRFC leadership, internal election from TRFC members
 - i. Vote passed to have online poll/election of core officer group according to bylaws including: president elect (should be junior “not imminently graduating” member, TWO vice presidents (needs to be amended in bylaws), secretary, treasurer.
 - ii. Interested individuals to contact Dr. Leslie Miller (lmiller12@tulane.edu) with position of interest
 - b. Selection of GMEC resident representatives
 - i. Call for interested individuals to send email to Andy Pham, apham3@tulane.edu
 - c. Committee to review bylaws and TRFC
 - i. Drs. Jenkins, Acuna, Pham to review
 - d. Proposal and vote funding for med psych, med peds, triple board social function
 - i. Group discussed need for budget transparency (TRFC, GME, and program specific budgets allocated for residents), need for transparency in process/permission to use funds?
 - ii. TRFC fund application process to submit to TRFC for voting/discussion approval?

- iii. Several members/programs voiced concerns regarding fair distribution and usage of funds to benefit maximum number of residents
- iv. Concerns from members regarding setting a precedent for usage of funds
- v. Member suggested to use funds on larger event open to all PGYs
- vi. TRFC should have ability to find way for individual programs/PGYs to apply for non-TRFC funding?
- vii. After writing proposal for TRFC bylaws amendment for usage of funds plan to submit to GME for approval of funding
- viii. TRFC members present decided to abstain from vote at this time, will provide vote to all members of TRFC with information from Dr. Hsiao on how many PGYs, how funds for event will be spent. Vote to be sent out on whether 800, 400, 200, none would be allocated for event. Vote to be completed within 48 hrs.
- ix. TRFC to decide on how to best proceed with remaining funds (writing bylaws/procedures) within the next month
- e. Timing/frequency of meetings discussion
 - i. Announcement made that the bylaws require two meetings a year from general TRFC
 - ii. Consensus that as there is a desire to have a more active TRFC that we will need to meet more often than twice a year, frequency TBD
 - iii. Vote to go out in separate email (with election of officers) on frequency of meetings (monthly, q2mo, q3mo, q4mo, q6mo)
- f. Open floor for TRFC ideas
 - i. Next time review ACGME/TUSOM GME process update

V. Adjourn

Minutes composed by Andrew Pham, MD 10/7/2021 @ 2045

Attendance Sheet

Program	Name	Email	
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16 of 23 programs in attendance		21 of 44 PGYs in attendance	
	1 of 1 faculty liaison in attendance Katie Cox, MD		