Guest Speakers

6:05 PM – [Discussion] Dr. Baker Student Talks (45 min)

- Going to go on a listening tour over the next 2-3 months, this is the beginning
 - About him listening to the students so that he's able to help us
- School had an LCME challenge, because the school was still using a 20th century model
 - Baker was hired to address the challenge, initiating some organizational change
 - Set the platform for this school to be a top 25 school
 - Should be the best mission-based school in the country, hands down
 - Highest in terms of "class"
 - LCME had a 2017 visit, where they came back to view the results of that challenge
 - When Dr R came to revisit curriculum, baker stepped away from that aspect of the school
 - Was trying to emphasize that we needed a specific "pre-clerkship" dean
 - Had someone lined up, but the hire fell through because of the pandemic
 - o Dr R was doing 2 jobs, as the overall UME curriculum dean and the pre-clerkship dean
 - o Dr Baker signed off of his duties at the time that Dean Schweitzer was hired
 - Now that Dean Sakr is here (many staff left in the meantime), Dr Baker's title is Senior Vice Dean now
 - Means he has the "ability to make good on his own promises," where he can be Dr. Sakr's right hand, and have similar authorities to actually complete and follow through on initiatives that he makes
 - Means they have faith in each other
 - If something that should happen does NOT happen in terms of promised changes by the administration, Dr Baker is the one we should go to
 - "You should give me the opportunity to fail"
 - Speaking about the fact that students are "our greatest asset," where we provide the most valuable insight and support for the school
 - Patients are our customers, where the school is providing the service of creating those that heal the patients
 - We are their "products," where we should be high-achieving physicians
 - His focus is on making us the best that we can be
 - Dean Sakr is going to main campus to promote awareness of what we need and initiate discussions with them
 - Head of DEI (Dean Roy) should be a vice dean role, reporting directly to Dean Sakr, with his own budget
 - Not under Dean Baker at all, he reiterates that it should be an independent entity
 - Student: "What more needs to be done, and what will be done to flesh out scholarly concentrations more? They're being advertised to new students but it's not that fleshed out as it is"
 - Baker: Trying to get data for the program, what people were able to get the most out of it, what mentors were most effective, which scholarly concentration programs specifically yielded the most results and which ones students chose to do more than others

- Pass/fail step 1 is more of a problem to us the people in the higher prestige schools stay at the higher prestige schools and programs, etc
 - We need to have high-powered programs in order to allow everyone here at WSUSOM to shine, and additionally need better ways to present them
- Need webpages to celebrate student research and concentrations and etc etc etc
- Transition back to med school for LOA students (especially MDPHD students) is not smooth, there is very little conversation between the med school and the PHD programs
 - Has been a common theme
 - How can we better promote cross-office and cross-department communication so that students aren't slipping thru the cracks?
 - There has never been any dedicated support for programs that aren't the typical 4-year MD program
 - Some deans have now been allocated certain responsibilities regarding graduate/non-medical students
 - This is Admissions Assistant Dean (Dr. Holt)'s mission, in order to look at each of these programs and allocate some logistical support
 - "Almost there where we can do that, not for the entire graduate school, but at least for the MDPHD's at this point"
 - "What updates are there regarding increasing WSUSOM's presence in Lansing to potentially move forward with exploring the possible purchase of DRH that was discussed at October's strategic planning meeting?"
 - Baker has been pushing this forever
 - "Tenet has done what is done the last several decades, and they're going to settle eventually"
 - "You are absolutely correct, we should be in lansing"
 - DMC is 3 billion dollars, but we have no money! :) There is a model in order to get it
 - Who can actually buy DMC and how can they get it?
 - The state can purchase it with a bond issue
 - Why would tenet sell DMC to the state? Because the state can shut down any hospital down at any point in time, instantaneously
 - Need publicity, PR, should be elevating people like Dr Opara, talking with Dr Whitmer
 - Should be on the local detroit news
 - What is the PR department doing at the school of medicine? Only focuses on advertising to ourselves
 - Wanted to have a building on woodward and warren
 - o Big, tall enough where you could see it from downtown detroit
 - Need to attract billionaire kind of money, selling the "postcard building"
 - Going forward, wants to have more open conversations and hard conversations

New business

6:50 PM – [Elections] Health and Wellness Class of 2026 Representatives (45 min)

• Congratulations to the new class of 2026 Health and Wellness Reps, Elizabeth Choi, Andrew Lemmen, and Abigail Jaczkowski!

7:35 PM – [Discussion] Transferring Student Dues (15 min)

- Big issue with dues, co2025 is the worst >:(
- LOA students' dues are staying in their class senate bank
- 2025 has like 30 students coming from co2024, can we transfer their money?
- We can't keep track of how many students go on LOA, so it would be very hard to track
- Can't be the policy going forward, since it's usually a pretty stable number of LOA students every year but last year was an anomaly, so give 50% of dues from LOA students that went to co2025?
- Could also wait until they come back from step and see what happens frmo there

Old Business [None]

Executive Reports [None]

Committee Reports

7:50 PM – [Social] Gala Updates (5 min)

- At ~350 tickets sold, need 500
- Maybe have some superlatives for the class senates to figure out how to sell out some tickets

Class Senate Reports

7:55 PM – Class Senate Reports (5 min)

- 1. Class of 2026
 - a. Exam tomorrow good luck
 - b. Pay your class dues to Devun OR ELSE!
- 2. Class of 2025
 - a. Keep studying hard for your Step 1 exam everyone! We're all rooting for you!
- 3. Class of 2024
 - a. Jan 20 Registration contract due, pre-registration overrides due for peds, OBGYN, EM, FM, Psych, and the VSLO Email should come out
 - b. Jan 27 Specialty advisor link is due, and upload the worksheet for planning on canvas
 - c. Jan 30 Registration opens at 5pm for the spring term
 - d. Feb 14 Registration opens at 5pm for the other terms
 - e. Check Academica for holds and use the plan ahead tool prior to registration!
- 4. Class of 2023
 - Look out for Match Day registration info. Your RSVP is required whether you are attending or not
 - b. Feb 1: Ophthalmology Match
 - c. Feb 2: Urology Match
 - d. 59 days until the Match (Friday, March 17, 2023)!
 - e. 140 days until graduation (Tuesday, June 6, 2023)!
 - f. View the NRMP 2023 Match Calendar here (https://www.nrmp.org/match-calendars/)
 - g. If you still need to, sign up for NRMP (\$70 registration fee due by Jan 31) and add your number to myERAS.

2022-2023 Senate Schedule

April 26, 2022

May 10, 2022

May 24, 2022

Dr. Chadwell (Match Day Presentation)

June 7, 2022

• Dr. Roy (Discussion)

June 21, 2022

July 5, 2022

July 19, 2022

August 2, 2022

August 16, 2022

August 30, 2022

September 13, 2022

September 27, 2022

October 11, 2022

October 25, 2022

November 8, 2022

November 22, 2022

December 6, 2022

December 20, 2022

January 3, 2023

January 17, 2023

January 31, 2023

February 14, 2023

February 28, 2023

March 14, 2023

March 28, 2023

April 11, 2023

• Executive Elections

April 25, 2023

Important Dates

• TBD

Guest Speaker List

- Dr. Chadwell (Dean of Student Affairs), May 24th
- Dr. Roy (Dean of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion), June 7th
- Dean Sakr, August 2nd
- Dr. Chadwell (Dean of Student Affairs), August 30th
- Dr. Baker, January 17th