

Minutes from 2/7/03 Meeting in the MRRC Conference Room

1. Student Research Forum Update
 - a. Kevin McIntire and Christina N. gave an update on the planning progress so far. All is going well.
 - b. We are running short on faculty judges. Faculty can sign up to judge at <http://www.kumc.edu/student/GSC/srf/srf2003/judgesignup2003.html>
 - c. Funding is going well. The Kansas City Area Life Sciences Institute made a very generous donation this year. They have a research forum and would like to make sure that students and faculty from KUMC have the opportunity to participate in the future.
 - d. The next SRF meetings are Next Wednesday and Friday (the 12th and 14th), and we hope to nail down the banquet details.
 - e. Students interested in helping may also contact one of the three co-chairs as well: Dana Hawkinson (dhawkinson@kumc.edu), Kevin McIntire (kmcintire@kumc.edu), and Christina Newport (cnewport@kumc.edu).
 - f. \$1500 of the GSC budget has been approved for allocation to the SRF Planning Committee. Christina Newport made the motion to transfer the money to uphold the budget and approve the \$1500 donation to the SRF. The motion was seconded by Rohan. The majority were in favor, there were no votes against the motion and no abstentions.
2. Amendment of Bylaws (Funding)
 - a. Christina K passed out the bylaws including the proposed amendments (in italics) in Article VI, Sections 2-5. The amendments were first proposed and read at the November meeting.
 - b. Brian Hermann suggested more thought should be put into how the funds would be distributed (i.e., reimbursement or up front distribution). The executive committee will discuss this issue and make a proposal at the next meeting, if deemed necessary.
 - c. Karen Stanze proposed that there was a timeline for accountability statements. This issue will also be addressed by the executive committee and revisited at the March meeting.
 - i. Ramsey moved to approve the amendments as they are, and Erica Johnsrud seconded the motion. Majority were in favor, there was no one against and there were no abstentions.
3. Adopt-a-Family
 - i. Christina K. purchased gifts for an 11 year old girl and a 6 month old boy. KUMC adopted 300 families in December 2002.
4. Street Fair (Saturday, April 12, 2003)
 - a. Donation for basket for silent auction
 - i. Will have the theme of either the Royals or the Wizards
 - ii. Supply a family 4-pack of tickets (or 2) as well as fan paraphernalia.
 - iii. Erica Johnsrud volunteered to prepare the basket.
 - b. We will sponsor a booth with the "New and Improved" Treasure Hunt game this year. We will have sign up for the booth, ticket counter, etc., at the next meeting.
 - c. Student Olympics (Green for Grad Students): We will need volunteers for the various events. More info at the next meeting.
4. SHOT Meeting Update:
 - a. The SHOT committee met with Rebecca Vaughn and went over the student surveys.
 - b. Received many of the same compliments and many of the same complaints. These will be addressed by the SHOT committee.
 - c. Student Health fee will probably be raised by approximately 15% to help enable them to hire another Nurse Practitioner.
 - d. The Student Counseling Center wants to remind students that they are available for stress management, time management, and various other forms of counseling that are not just for the bad times.

- i. Katherine Stroupe volunteered to be the SHOT representative from now on as Julie Christiansen will be graduating.

6. Announcements

- a. Ronald McDonald House sent a Thank You note to the GSC for the November 26th dinner.
- b. Student Research Forum Calls for Poster and Presentation Abstracts are out.
- c. The deadline for Poster Abstracts is February 14, 2003. The deadline for Presentation Abstracts is February 21, 2003.
- d. Student Health Insurance Representative Opportunity:
 - i. Dr. Long asked for a student (or students) that is on the Mega Life plan as a GTA/GRA to be a representative to the committee which is seeking a better statewide student health insurance.
 - ii. The next meeting is in Lawrence on Wednesday, February 19, 2003, between 2:30 and 4:00 p.m.
 - iii. This committee meets once or twice per year. Ryan Thummel is one of the representatives, and if anyone else is interested, contact Brian Hermann or Dr. Rawitch.
- e. There will be another KU Watch party on March 3, 2003. Tentative location is Tanner's, but the Interdisciplinary Committee of the SGC is taking suggestions. Contact Christina Kaiser (ckaiser@kumc.edu) or Mariam Riazhi (mriazikermani@kumc.edu) with ideas.
- f. The ERC/ITC may be moved to the library in order to allow 24 hour access and more space. Concerns, questions, comments, can be given to Dr. Bast.

6. Next Meeting

- a. The next meeting will be during the first or second week of March in the MRRC conference room at noon.