

School of Medicine and Dentistry Clinical Pharmacology William Harvey Research Institute Postgraduate Taught Student Staff Liaison Committee 6th May 2020 at 12pm

Via MS Teams

Confirmed Minutes

Staff members present:

Professor Johnston	CDD Programme Lead
Dr Nina Ravic	Education Manager
Manuela Angioi Sports and Exercise Medicine	MSc
Matilde Calanchini	MSc Endo Teaching Fellow
Professor Deloukas	MSc Genomic Medicine

Rahat Uddin (Minutes)

Student members present:

Farah Fahd Mahmoud Abdelhameed

MSc Clinical Endo

Apologies for absence/Unable to attend:

Dr Fu Ng (Chair)

Prof Maralyne Druce	MSc Clinical Endo Programme Lead
Nkeiruka Chizomam Udochi Ezeakachi	MSc Clinical Drug Development
Bethany Sian Lumborg	MSc Genomic Medicine
Prof Nik Lemos Presentations	MSc
Sharmilla L Student Rep	MSc FMS
Evridiki Georgaki	MSc Sports and Exercise Medicine
Richard Antbring Musculo)	MSc FT WHRI (Sports Med and
Alexander Navin Kumra	BSc (Intercalated) Sports and Exercise

Part 1 – Preliminary Items	Paper	Led by
Welcome and introduction for members		Chair
Minutes of the previous meeting 16.04.2020All agreed they are fine		Chair
Terms of reference and membership		Chair
Admissions, Induction and Enrolment		Chair

Part 2 – Programme Delivery and other matters				
Programme/module	developments	and		
amendments				

MSc Sports and Exercise Medicine

Manuela Angioi - reported that as per last meetings AOB she would email students to provide feedback via email if unable to attend meeting. This was done but nothing has been received from students by Manuela Angioi or Nina Ravic. However MA has had discussion with them via separate emails.

- NR requested if MA could chase those students up re' feedback.
- MA they are going to have Specific Staff Students Forum on Thursday, so will be able to have some specific student feedback.
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- NR stated would be good to have feedback as this is essential, MA will write email after meeting, if written feedback could be given for official reasons.
- MA stated that she is representing SL to avoid duplication, comments and actions will be passed on re SP&E.

MSc / PGDip / PGCert Genomic Medicine

Bethany (GEN Rep)

- Most people are finding it okay but several people have expressed concerns about a lack of a reply to emails regarding dissertation projects.
- Most people are keen to get started and are finding it hard to start without the replies they need.
- Few people have mentioned that they feel a bit disadvantaged having to work from home i.e.. are used to working in a library or public space, finding it difficult to read/write assignments on small laptop screens, not being able to access usual programs that they would use, difficulties with internet.
- Really important point to raise and definitely feel that working from home has impacted one some student grades.
- PD stated they have a meeting scheduled later in week (08.05.2020 BH) to discuss/review exam requirement with the students. This session will be recorded and will be posted on line.
 - If they stick to 20.07.2020 for exams then students will have to be reviewed in August Exam Board.
 - 3 students would like to graduate this year, others not effected as dissertations are due in December 2020.
 - Those who completed in January are wanting to graduate in Summer which provisionally should not be in issue.

• NR shared Paul Chappel and External communication with PD.

MSc / PGDip Clinical Drug Development

Nkeiruka (CDD Rep)

- Statistics Q n A should occur closer to the actual lectures to maximizes its use when handling the assignment and deepening our Statistics understanding.
- No word on the assessment results for Ethics & Specific Topics. Feel that it has taken an undue amount of time.

MSc / PGDip Clinical Endocrinology

Farah (Clin Endo Rep)

- Q: NR asked how the group are finding the on line teaching experience?
- Overall Farah explained they are all very much adapted to the on line learning, every one very content.
- Q: NR asked how is preparation going for dissertations going for the group?
- Farah explained alot of data collection projects have been switched to literature reviews. Some are upset but not much can be done, may come down to a person by person basis, some students have had trouble connecting with supervisors due to clinical commitments.
- Q: NR have the students who have had a problem contacting their supervisors, have they contacted Matilda and Maralyn?
- Farah explained Prof Druce informed the students of the project changes much earlier (2 months), Farah thinks most of the students have contacted their supervisors already. Everyone should have a plan by this stage.
- NR explained students should feel free to contact MD & MC should any issue arise with making contact with supervisors.
- Portfolios discussed some are stressed managing work load now that the dissertations are getting close, feels everybody is getting enough support with the Friday meetings.
- Reminder given by NR that all students have extra two week extension to all, great advantage. All students were expressing gratefulness of extension
- Modules and those that would not be counted discussed as Farah absent in previous meeting, this was communicated to all students by Principal - so all should be aware. NR gave reference to this discussion in previous SSLC meetings where Farah/students can access should they wish to. MC will remind all students about this.

MSc Critical Care

- No representation at the moment.

- 2 Learning resources
 - Library facilities / materials (books, journals etc.)
 - QMplus
 - QReview
 - Updates from faculty E-learning forums
 - IT

As discussed above.

Part 3 – Programme Delivery and Any Other Business

Part 4 – Date of the next meeting

4 Next SSLC on 06.05.2020