



### **Medical Affairs Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

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**Present:** Cormac Maher (Chair), Marschall Runge (Dean & VP of Medical Affairs), Durga Singer (SACUA Liaison), Jawad Al, Khafaji, Ruth Carlos, Marisa Conte, Analisa DiFeo, Lisa Kane Low, William Meurer, Shahzad Mian, Michal Olszewski, Sara Pasquali, John Tranfalia, Rachel Yu, Elizabeth Devlin

**Absent:** Chandan Kumar-Sinha, Terri Voepel-Lewis

Chair Maher called the meeting to order, welcomed the committee members, and asked committee members to introduce themselves

#### **Committee Charge discussion:**

Chair Maher gave an overview on how the committee meetings would function with discussion surrounding one major topic. The committee discussed and reviewed the 2021-2022 MAAC committee charges.

The committee provided feedback and topics to discuss under the charges including:

- Innovation and telehealth – integrating virtual and hands on approaches to learning experiences.
- Change management and impact on wellness – managing day to day and long-term goals. This would include COVID-19 and institutional changes and addressing stress burnout for faculty and students.
  - The Wellness office is thinking of systems issues through faculty associate projects. There are only a few now but some topics might be of interest to this group: <https://wellnessoffice.med.umich.edu/knowledge-hub/programs/faculty-associate-program>
    - Suggested speakers: Kirk Brower, Brian Zink
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
  - Review of individual departments and the processes that have been implemented to mitigate the financial burdens on patients and BIPOC.
  - Structural inequities around healthcare and possibly inviting internal and external speakers to future meetings.
    - Suggested Speakers: Otis Brawley

#### **Speaker Suggestions:**

- Invite internal community members that can address the topics that are institutionally focused and external speakers that can contribute insight and a different perspective to the topics under the committee charge.
- Faculty members that are on the ground that have a wider perspective and are heavily involved in wellness.
- Speakers that are from outside the School of Medicine who have experience or are conducting research in these topic areas.



**Next Steps:**

Solicit faculty topics of interest for MAAC when the Executive Faculty meetings occur to narrow down topics of interest for on the ground faculty members.

Chair Maher requested that the committee send him suggestions on guest speakers to discuss with Dr. Runge and as a committee at the next meeting.

- If there are too many suggestions, a survey will be created to rank topics to decide which speakers to invite to future committee meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 am.

Respectfully submitted  
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