SUMMARY

SHOUT-OUTS
- Spring Formal will be held on Friday, February 19, 2016
- Class of 2016 working on survey of graduating M4s to serve as resource for underclassmen in choosing specialties, M3 scheduling, away rotations, etc. Will be released in Jan 2016.

UPCOMING EVENTS
- Wednesday, November 11, 2015 – Thankathon for Alumni Relation, 5-7pm at Remsen 332
- After Thanksgiving – M1 SNAP Elections
- Friday, December 4 – Holiday Heart Rounds
- Tuesday, January 5, 2016 – “Oh the Places You’ll Go”, location TBD
- Friday, February 19, 2016 – Geisel Spring Formal
- Saturday, February 20, 2016 – LMSA Conference

APPROVED MOTIONS
- $700 for “Oh the Places You’ll Go” event in Jan 2016

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MEETING AGENDA

1. Alumni Relations
   o Thankathon on Wednesday, Nov.11 5-7pm – Writing thank you cards to alumni
   o Monthly Newsletters: Geisel Student Interview to spotlight students who do something interesting

2. Graduate Questionnaire
   o Discussion about surveying students about their level of content with their peer interactions
   o SNAP can help discuss and coordinate

3. “Oh the Places You’ll Go” by Kanak Verma (M3) and Yunna Sinskey (M3)
   a. Try to bring together all 4 classes at local venue, appetizers provided
   b. Winter event, during M3 ICE, and Spring event when M4s are in class again
      i. Asking for $700, since Fall event did not happen; Winter will be joint event

4. Latino Medical Students Association (LMSA) Conference by Fernando Vazquez (M1)
   a. Last Ivy to join LMSA; largest event highlighting Latino-Hispanic health
   b. February 20, 2016 at DHMC
      i. Theme: United Efforts in the Changing Face of Healthcare
      ii. Keynote Speaker: Kenneth Dominguez, MD, MPH from the CDC
         1. Developed CDC’s First Hispanic/Latino Health workgroup
         2. Public Health focus on HIV/AIDS in Latino community
      iii. Highlights include include alumni attendees, workshops, Exhibitor Fair (with residency programs), research poster session, Cocktail Gala at Top of the Hop, Awards Ceremony
      iv. Expecting >200 student attendees
   c. Asking for student body support, unity, and MANPOWER
      i. Help with attendance, planning (outreach to alumni, students; publicity, host students from other schools, speaker/workshop committee)
   d. Encourage Class Reps to disseminate information
5. **Concerns from M1 Curriculum Reps**
   a. Concerns about restructuring of curriculum; worried that we will lose beloved faculty members, uncertain for future of curriculum
   b. Would like to know more about how medical students can have a voice in supporting and improving their education
   c. Students highly encouraged to fill out post-course surveys

6. **Dean Compton**
   a. Close to filling position for Financial Aid office (!)
   b. Regarding concerns about curriculum changes:
      i. Faculty evaluations are closely reviewed, especially by Promotions committee
      ii. Aiming for model that promotes consistency in M1/M2 courses (e.g. single faculty member that coordinates each course) with talented educational scholars (faculty researchers, clinicians) leading these educational experiences
      iii. Considering medical student representation on search committees for faculty members
      iv. We, Students/Student Government, can consider having a presentation about MEC/Curriculum changes.
   c. Question of extending Step I study periods to 6-8 weeks? Will look into this with Dean Ogrinc.

7. **AAMC National Conference update from Auriel August (M3)**
   a. Current efforts are aimed at increasing diversity in medical training, facilitating financial aid, increased mentorship efforts
   b. Will have more info at next meeting

8. **Social Updates**
   a. Spring events to look forward to: Formal, Skits, Suits & Stethoscopes, Heart Rounds, Specimen Cup, etc.
   b. Election process for next Social Chairs
   c. Consider starting Social Committee composed of M1s that will establish the pool of candidates for future Social Chair

9. **Miscellaneous Questions**
   a. M1 would like to create survey on how much time medical students need to study for Step I, or how long M1 summer should be (to allow for time for summer programs)
   b. Concern about LMSA Conference Gala and Spring Formal being on same date
      i. Cannot switch to date before (due to M2 Finals) or date after (projected Skits date)
      ii. Gala is from 7-9pm, Formal is 8-midnight
      iii. Will change date of Spring Formal to February 19, 2016