Advisory Graduate Medical Education Council (AGMEC) Minutes of meeting on 5/06/21 Held via WebEx

Approved October 6th, 2021

Voting Members Present:

Michael Kelly, MD- Chair (designee of Chancellor of Rutgers Biomedical Health Sciences)
Mary Ditri, DHA, FHELA (designee of the president of the New Jersey Hospital Association)
Fred Jacobs, MD- Governor appointed public member
Jeff Levine, PhD Ex-officio

AGMEC Counsel

Laurie Fichera, Esq.

I. Call to Order

Michael Kelly, MD, AGMEC Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:15 PM. A quorum of voting members was not established. Dr. Kelly announced as such the council could take no formal action at this meeting.

Dr. Kelly announced that notice of the meeting was provided in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 231 of the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975. Notice was filed with the Secretary of State, was faxed to several newspapers throughout the state and was posted on the website of the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education.

II. Dr. Kelly noted that the New York State guidelines for the approval of alternatively accredited medical schools had been distributed to the members electronically. Discussion was then held among the members present with the following points being made:

- The NY state guidelines refer to bodies that do not exist within New Jersey
- The guidelines were established over ten years ago and were meant to parallel the LCME standards for approval of medical schools within the United States
- The Board of Regents makes the final decision on approval in New York state, but that authority is invested in AGMEC in New Jersey
- The length of approval would need to be discussed
- Whether or not any final regulations would apply to schools already approved needs to be investigated further
- It was agreed that it would be expected that the graduates of any school approved by the state of New Jersey would need to be eligible to sit for licensing exams within the United States and meet the eligibility requirements for licensure in the state of New Jersey
- There are several areas where Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) standards appear to be more in-depth than that of New York state requirements
- There are still issues concerning infrastructure requirements for site visits and report creation and review

All members present participated in the conversation.

Dr. Kelly noted he will attempt to work these items as applicable into a draft based on the NY state guidelines.

III. There being no further items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:05PM

Respectfully submitted, Michael Kelly, MD Chair, AGMEC