MPH and BSPH Program Committee

Minutes 12/7/2016

GRH 3002; 12:30 – 2 p.m.

Faculty Present: Basham, Ding, English, Farrell, Gardner, Kim, Lartey, Macy, Shearer, Watkins

Students Present: Ascencio, Jacob

**Watkins/English motion** to approved November minutes; passed unanimously

Dr. Eric Reed, Interim Dean of the Graduate School, discussed the Pathways program with the faculty. The program is designed for international graduate applicants who may not meet conditions for full admission, but for whom a conditional admission would affect the ability to get a visa. Rather than being admitted into the MPH program, these applicants would be admitted into a pathway program that consists of courses we identify. Pathway students who successfully complete that program would then be admitted fully into the MPH program. The faculty will discuss adopting the pathways program after program revisions are completed.

Gardner/Lartey reported on steering committee meeting: Steering committee supportive of having internship as option, rather than requirement, and of doing away with existing concentrations. Next steering meeting will be in February.

Faculty were reminded about completing the curricular competency alignment, due Dec. 19

There were no standing or ad hoc committee reports.

In new business, **Watkins/English motion** to approve policies/procedures for MPH Curriculum Committee; passed unanimously;

**Lartey/Basham motion** to approve policies/procedures for MPH and BSPH Curriculum Committees; passed unanimously; and,

**Farrell/English motion** to approve revised policies/procedures for MPH-BSPH Joint Assessment Committee; passed unanimously.

Motion was sought to change MPH and BSPH programs to generalist only beginning fall 2017. Considerable discussion followed on pros and cons. Rather than voting at that time, faculty requested an electronic poll be taken to allow more time to reflect. Gardner stated she’d send out a poll.

The meeting adjourned without formal motion