

Department of Public Health
Alumni Board Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2006

In attendance: Gurinder Hohl, Joan Henkle, Jon Barada, Bobbie Van Der Pol, Carrie, Kim Irwin, Eric Metcalf, Surabh

1. Results of survey

Jon Barada presented the results of the survey that was implemented via email. This survey was sent to the alums to gather information about the Alumni Council, its activities, and their involvement in various activities organized by the Alumni Council. More than 97% of alums responded to this survey and 74% reported that they are interested in the networking opportunities offered by the Alumni Council. Furthermore, majority of the alums are interested in learning more about the mentor and networking opportunities available through the Council.

In light of results of the survey, processes to involve more alums in the mentoring opportunities (through sign-up at <http://alumni.iupui.edu/medicine/mphvolunteer.shtml>) were discussed. Jon Barada will work with Joan Henkle to ensure that this information along with process of completing and accessing the form online is sent to the alums and students. This will be accomplished via existing email/list serve.

Furthermore, the group discussed developing an Alumni Directory (online and hard copy). The online version will be made available to all alums and the hard copy will be sent at a minimal cost. Prior to developing this Directory, an email will be sent to all alums informing them of this activity. Passive consent will be used to include alums in this Directory. The Directory will include name, year graduated, current position, and contact information of the alums (email and phone).

2. Elections: Further details regarding the elections will be discussed during the next meeting. The group suggested that is important to explore options to change the format (time, location) of the quarterly Council meetings.
3. Next Meeting Date: February 20 at 11:30 a.m. This meeting will be at the Department of Public Health. Lunch may be provided (further details will be available in early February). During this meeting, alums will be encouraged to share thoughts and feedback regarding the Council, quarterly meetings, elections, and future of DPH program.