

Hello residents,

The Resident Council held its first meeting of 2020 on January 14. Our goals were discussed in detail, and plans to carry them out were put in place. We are all excited to share our projects with you and encourage anyone who may be interested in participating to reach out to us. Our current projects include:

1. Facilitating **teaching opportunities with the WSU medical students**. We will be meeting with WSU faculty to plan integration of our residents as teachers for the medical students into their curriculum. This will include our original goal of collaborating in case-based learning. If you would like to participate in the pilot phase of these projects, email me at [gl2281@wayne.edu](mailto:gl2281@wayne.edu) or Ben at [fr1884@wayne.edu](mailto:fr1884@wayne.edu)
2. Our second annual **Professional Development Symposium**. “Planning Your Future Beyond Residency” is our focus for this event, set for **April 7** from 6:30-8:30 in Margherio Family Conference Center on the SOM campus in Detroit. The symposium will include a panel discussion by senior residents on successful career planning and opportunities to network with peers, recruiters, and other guests. If you have any recommendations for individuals you’d like to see at the event, we would love to hear from you!
3. The **Academic Boot Camp with DART/DEFT sessions**. The ABC is set for **April 3** on the SOM campus. This is an incredible opportunity to enhance your skills as a teacher, create and execute your own educational research project, and add an impressive credential to your CV.
4. **Audio content for DART/DEFT**. GME Director of Education Dr. R. Brent Stansfield is leading this incredible project, which will build an invaluable data base of audio modules to be uploaded onto Canvas, and trackable to give credit for those who use them to enhance their learning. Topics will vary from research, scholarly publishing, curriculum development, adult learning theory, and more. If you have a suggestion regarding content that you believe could benefit many residents, please email [rbstansfield@wayne.edu](mailto:rbstansfield@wayne.edu).

As always, please feel free to join the planning team of any project by reaching out to us. We would also love to hear any suggestions or ideas you may have.

On behalf of the Resident Council, we wish all of you a happy, healthy, and prosperous 2020.

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