Indiana University School of Medicine
Committee Report Template

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Committee Name: Faculty Community Relations Committee

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Meeting Frequency: Monthly

What is the mission of your committee? (100 words)

The Faculty Community Relations Committee (FCRC) recognizes that the faculty, staff, and students of the Indiana University School of Medicine are affected by, and have an effect on, their surrounding neighborhoods and the broader Indiana community. The committee will promote the resources and the various educational, research, and clinical programs of the School of Medicine, enhancing the health and the quality of life in the community and on the schools campuses.

What has your committee accomplished this year? (250 words)

1. The FCRC has, since 2014, awarded a faculty who shows exceptional dedication to the cause of community engagement with the FCRC Award for Outstanding Community Engagement. This award recognizes activities such as volunteerism, community-based research and curricular development, and establishment of partnerships between the school of medicine and the community.

The 2016 award recipient was Dan P. O’Donnell, MD. Dr. O’Donnell is an associate professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine with IUSOM, and who serves as deputy medical director for the Eskenazi Ambulance Service and the Indianapolis Fire Department, as well as medical director the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department S.W.A.T. team. He is also the Chief Medical Director of Indianapolis EMS.

Nominations for the 2017 award have been received and are under review. The award will be presented at the 2017 fall faculty meeting.
2. The FCRC held a second annual Mini-Medical School in November of 2017. This was a day-long interactive program for high school students in Indianapolis. Last year students from three Indianapolis Public Schools, Crispus Attucks, Broad Ripple, and Shortridge Schools, were invited. The program was held at the medical school and facilitated by medical students. Students performed activities in the simulation laboratory of Fairbanks Hall and learned about medical school, from the application process through acceptance and attendance.

What goals does your committee have for the next academic year? How can the Faculty Steering Committee help you to accomplish those goals? (150 words)

1. The FCRC Award for Outstanding Community Engagement will again be rewarded. We will explore means to better publicize the award and solicit nominations, as there were only 2 nominations in 2017.
2. A second mini-medical school is being planned at a date to be determined. We will again engage the medical students as well as the IUPUI school of Physical Education and Tourism Management. We are considering expanding outreach to more schools, as well as considering a program which would take place in the schools themselves. We are also in discussions to involve other specialties such as nursing or physical therapy.
3. Other community outreach programs are being considered, including organization of community work-shops throughout the state by utilizing IUSOM satellite campus faculty and students.