

MINUTES

(Approved – September 19, 2017)

Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry
Faculty Council Meeting
May 23, 2017
4:00 - 5:30 pm
Bernard Snell Hall WMC & Video Conferencing to
Classroom 2, Robbins Learning Center,
Royal Alexandra Hospital

Present: As per attached list. *Attendance list may not reflect everyone in attendance*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Richard Fedorak called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm and welcomed everyone to the May 23, 2017 Faculty Council meeting. He acknowledged the video connection to RAH.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Dr. Fraser Brenneis and SECONDED by Dr. Saifee Rashiq that the Agenda be accepted as circulated. Motion by Kevin Kane to remove item 7.c. iii from the agenda was not seconded. Approval of agenda as presented is **CARRIED**. Motion to move item 7.c.iii up in the agenda by Rachel Milner, seconded by Kevin Kane was ruled out of order (Roberts Rules indicate a reconsideration motion must be made by someone who voted for the passed motion. As well, AAUSA has made clear that according to the Faculty agreement only tenure track faculty members, not FSO members, could move or vote on the FEC standards at Faculty Council).

3. APPROVAL OF THE March 21, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

MOVED by Dr. Michael Walter and SECONDED by Dr. Barbara Ballermann that the minutes for March 21, 2017 be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

4. INTRODUCTION OF NEW FACULTY & NEW LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Dr. R. Fedorak introduces and welcomes Dr. Shirley Schipper, the new Vice Dean of Education, beginning July 1, 2017 and gives a brief bio of her. Please see attached 2 page document for a complete list of new faculty & positions.

Dr. Fedorak takes a moment to acknowledge and commend Dr. Fraser Brenneis as Vice Dean, Education as this will be his last Faculty Council meeting before retiring.



5. BUSINESS ARISING

a. Academic Standing & Promotion Committee Update

Dr. Brenneis reports a concept to remove the Academic Standing & Promotion Committee will not proceed, but a change to its function and its role will be considered. This will take some time to follow process. It will take time to do the regulatory changes, with further consultation needed on just what the committee's role will be. Currently, this committee serves as final arbiter of decisions with respect to academic standing for all 5 undergraduate programs. It is proposed that these decisions be moved to each program so the programs have a say, letting the FASPC ensure proper process. It is believed this will help protect the students' best interest and ensure the process and regulations are being followed.



6. DEAN'S REPORT

a. Given in 7.c.iii below.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Vice Dean, Education
 - i. Class of 2017 Graduands List for Approval

Dr. Fraser Brenneis presents the list of Graduands for 2017, including the first Bachelor of Science & Radiation Therapy graduating class, for approval. A **MOTION** to approve the list is MOVED by Dr. Fraser Brenneis, SECONDED by Dr. Lyn Sonnenberg. **CARRIED**. Please see entire list below.

Dr. Fedorak states that Faculty Council is tasked with approving the students that graduate. Also, that the student doesn't graduate until they actually go on stage and shake the hand of the Chancellor.



- b. Vice Dean, Research
 - i. NACTRC

On behalf of Dr. David Evans, Dr. Lawrence Richer reports that the Northern Alberta Clinical Trials & Research Centre has had a record-breaking year, largely in the Departments of Medicine and Oncology, but also in Pediatrics,

in clinical trial activity and clinical research. He reports an increase in Tricouncil activity. Clinical trial work at the Cross Cancer Institute has almost 8% of new patients recruited into trials according to Dr. McEwan. The capacity and neuroimaging research at the Peter Allen Centre is acknowledged as well.

ii. SPOR

The Strategy for Patient Oriented Research is at the mid-way point for their 5-year funding cycle. They have seen a significant uptick in many of the service platforms, particularly the data and research services platforms. Data access times have gone from months to no more than 6 weeks. There are services now provided with support from SPOR for data management and methodological input, and assistance with developing research studies. He mentions the Pragmatic Clinical Trials platform, intended to increase capacity in pragmatic clinical trials for everyone.

iii. Real World Evidence (CERWCO)

They have gone ahead with that initiative, hiring an assistant director and are actively conducting one of their first Real World Evidence studies. The centre will be located within NACTRC, and is currently seeking academic leadership from those with an interest in health care or administrative data or real world evidence who would like to lead a research team for sponsored and non-sponsored grant-funded research.

iv. Research Updates

Dr. Richer mentions many siloed research supports in departments, in the faculty, Alberta Health Services, as well as these 4 platforms. Dr. Pannu's role will be to leverage and coordinate all of the supports and ensure their longevity and broad applicability to the faculty. She will provide an environmental scan of all the supports available, as well as leverage and coordinate these supports so available to all faculty, especially junior faculty.



c. Vice Dean, Faculty Affairs

i. Standing Committee Results

Dr. Kunimoto reports that there were recent elections for the standing committees and he showed elected member results, for information. There are more results to be announced at the fall Faculty Council meeting.



ii. Diversity

Dr. Helly Goez states the new Office of Equity, Diversity & Inclusion is actively working on a few parallel initiatives. One of them is the upcoming voluntary Employee Census that will be disseminated in early June. Our faculty was selected as pilot faculty within the university for this purpose.

One reason for the timing is the need to demonstrate growth and making progress as related to diversity for the upcoming internal accreditation in March 2018. Previous recommendations from the most recent accreditation with regard to standard 3.3 determined the need for further monitoring. She asked members to watch for the upcoming survey through the Dean's office in early June. Faculty, staff, and clinical faculty will be surveyed. Dr. Goez also mentions a Diversity event slated for November 16, in collaboration with WCHRI and ATI.



iii. FEC Standards Discussion

Dr. Richard Fedorak stresses the transparency of the revision process. University regulations clearly state every faculty has to put faculty agreements into a document that is relevant to their faculty. They are required to be refreshed every 10 years to keep pace with changing academic opportunities. They need to be compliant with our faculty agreement and with FSO agreement. Attached below are more presentation details and the motions.



FEC Standards.pptx

The Motions:

Motion 1:

The FEC Standards document, version 21, will be the Standards document to guide the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry FEC.

Motion 2:

The new FEC Standards document, version 21, will be the Standards document to guide the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry FEC effective for academic year starting July 2017.

Motion 3:

The number of elected FoMD members at FEC will increase from 6 to 8.

MOTION to accept the Motion 1 as presented is MOVED by Dr. Kunimoto, SECONDED by Dr. Lorne Tyrell. **CARRIED**.

Discussion ensued on the motions, the Academic Performance Guide mentioned on page 13 of the Standards document, and one to 0D.

AMENDMENT to change merit allocation range listed on pg. 19 of the FEC Standards v.21 document, changing it from 0. to 3.0 to 0.5 to 3.0, is MOVED by Kevin Kane and SECONDED by Michael Walter. **CARRIED**.

Discussion ensued on the Academic Performance Guide. If it is not being voted on, remove mention of it from Standards.

AMENDMENT to remove the sentence referring to the Academic Performance Guide on page 13 of the FEC Standards document is MOVED by Kevin Kane, SECONDED by Justine Turner. It does not pass - 43 for removal, 45 against removal (meaning keep the sentence).

MOTION that the Standards document be tabled is MOVED by Rachel Milner, SECONDED by Kevin Kane. The motion is defeated with twelve in favor, the remaining against.

MOTION to accept Motion 2 as stated in presentation is MOVED by Michael Mengel, SECONDED by Michael Walter. **CARRIED**.

MOTION to accept Motion 3 as stated in presentation is MOVED by Barbara Bannerman, SECONDED by Bill Comers. **CARRIED**.

iv. For Information Only

Meeting document attachments went out May 9 via email, with an update May17.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

No items.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No items.

10. NEXT MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 pm

The next meeting will be held on: **Tuesday, September 19, 2017 from 4:00 - 5:30 PM** in Classroom D (2F1.04) WMC

ATTENDANCE LIST – May 23, 2017
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