



Faculty Council Notes

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

4:30 pm

Attendees: Zaina Albalawi, Stacey Alexander, Kris Aubrey-Bassler, Norah Duggan, Michael Grant, Andrew Hunt, Ed Kendall, Dolores McKeen, Danielle O'Keefe, Tracy Osmond, Rod Russell, Tev Stachniak, Pauneez Sadri, Desai Shan, Michelle Swab, Laurie Twells, Paul Tucker, Peter Wang, Brenda Wilson

Regrets: Janna Andronowski, Jane Barron, Amanda Fowler, Kristen Romme, Peter Rogers

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Welcome and Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr. McKeen welcomed everyone to the meeting both in person and virtually.- Welcomed Dr. Lee Ann McKivor, University Registrar and interim Secretary of Senate.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of Agenda• Conflict of Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr. McKeen asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda.- COI - none noted; agenda approved.	
Review and approval of prior minutes of October 17, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr. McKeen noted the minutes would be filed as notes for the October 17, 2023 meeting as quorum for the meeting was not achieved.	
Presentation: Senate Committee Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr. Lee Ann McKivor provided a presentation on Senate Committee Membership. The presentation was well received.- She highlighted the importance of Senate committees, the benefits of being involved, the types of committees and who to contact for each committee. She encouraged faculty if interested to get involved.	Tracy O. to circulate presentation.
Dean's Updates	Dr. McKeen provided an update:	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Auditor's Generals Report – Memorial has responded to the report. They have indicated they are committed to addressing the recommendations but still want ensure the autonomy of the university. Some errors in the report were addressed and corrections made. - There is a Brown Bag Lunch with Dr. Neil Bose, President on Tuesday, December 12, 2023. Details to follow. Some councils and committees i.e., provostial governance bodies have been reorganized to facilitate better information sharing and act as a consultative forum - https://www.mun.ca/vpacademic/what-we-do/councils-and-committees-/academic-leadership-council/. - <i>Senior Leadership Council (SLC) - Membership - Leaders who report directly to the president or a vice-president.</i> - <i>Academic Leadership Council (ALC) is a working group for senior academic leaders from the provost and vice-president (academic) portfolio.</i> - Accessibility NL – Memorial has been asked to provide an accessibility plan for all academic units. Each unit is being asked to provide information so to ensure compliance to the Accessibility Act and a commitment to accessibility. Ms. Jill Purcell and Ms. Tina Hickey will be representing the FoM on the focus group. - Attended the AFMC board meeting on October 24-25, 2023. The Deans were informed that the Outcomes of Training Project i.e., the third year for Family Medicine programs were going to be paused. The CFPC has since issued a memo to cease implementation. Not just paused. - Attended the NLHS AGM, which was held on October 30 and 31, 2023. - Attended the Innovation Summit – presentations were well received. Dr. Patrick Parfrey provided an interesting presentation on the innovative aspects of the Health Accord and may ask him to come to present to Faculty Council. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monte Carlo Charity Gala – The UGME Class of 2026 and the Graduate Students invite you to the 47th annual Monte Carlo Charity Gala. Take a trip back in time with us to Old Hollywood! Four 2023 recipients are: Iris Kirby House, Nevaeh’s Angel Foundation, Association for New Canadians, and Choices for Youth. Monte Carlo tickets are on sale now. - The 50th reunion for the Class of 73 was held on October 12 and 13, 2023. Went really well and the class was highly engaged. They have created an endowed scholarship valued at \$63,000. - Registration is now open for the <i>Destination Excellence</i> strategic planning retreat on December 11, 2023. The retreat will be both a celebration of <i>Destination Excellence</i> as well as look forward to what themes a new mini strategic plan would involve. Please spread the word to encourage faculty, staff and learners to attend. - Dr. Richard Elcock with the Discipline of Psychiatry is now the new EDI-AR Strategic Planning Working Group co-chair. - The EDI webinar is now completed. Please complete the evaluations. Will share the recordings for anyone who is interested. - The EDI-AR Speaker Series was held today, November 21, 2023. Dr. Jessica Dunkley, who is the first deaf physician in Canada, and through her activism, raised awareness about ableism in medical education and the need for greater inclusivity. There was also an Accessibility Fair in the lobby. Thank you to Ms. Charlotte Hobden, Events Assistant in Learner Well-Being and Success for helping to organize the Disability Fair. Dr. Dunkley met with interest groups throughout the day. - Stakeholder meetings around the creation of a new “office of faculty professional affairs” have been scheduled. - The PGME mock accreditation was held on November 9 and 10, 2023. The review went well overall with lots of good feedback. Preliminary feedback was positive. Review panel included Dr. Andrew Warren and Dr. Kim St. John. Lots of 	

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	<p>complements but there is still work to continue to do.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CPSNL has asked for a proposal for assessment of IMGs for two (2) new class of licenses – assistant (non -MRP) and associate for a specialty IMG stream. Looking at what would be required. - <u>Government Update</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Waiting on the Spindle report for the Undergraduate Medical Education expansion. Thank you to those who have met. - Developing of Family Care Teams. - Working with PRA NL on how to expand cohort size for the province. Trying to respond to public and government queries as best as we can. 	
Presentation of Research and Graduate Studies Graduation List – October 19, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. McKeen presented the Research and Graduate Studies graduation list on behalf of Dr. Ann Dorward. Congratulations to all the graduates on the successful completion of their programs. - Dr. Kendall inquired about the data and where the graduates came from and where they go. - Dr. Russell did note that there are emails sent to the graduates to ask but do not always receive an answer. There are issues such as privacy. 	
UPEI Update	<p>Dr. McKeen reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Preston Smith is the inaugural Dean for UPEI. He will begin part time starting in December and start full time in April. - The medical education building is roughly 130,000 sq ft. and will be ready for September 2025. - There are officials from UPEI coming next week including UPEI staff policy and strategic priorities, chief financial officer and communications. - Have received feedback from CACMS and are working on responses to their questions. Deadline to submitted response is by December 3, 2023. - Associate dean search – closed yesterday but are extending the competition by four (4) weeks. Search committee is being chaired by Dr. Andrew Hunt. Please advertise this position to colleagues. 	
Senate Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Kendall indicated the report had been circulated for information. He highlighted two Senate meetings 	

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	<p>happened. One was on special topics and the other was a regular meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Kendall noted that looking for advice on the topic of collegial governance. He did note that there were question during the meeting about how MUN is going to respond to Auditor General's Report. Encouraged engagement at the Senate level especially if have an interest in a particular area. - Dr. McKeen also noted that there was discussion, but no decision, around moving meetings back to in-person. 	
Academic Search Updates	<p>Dr. McKeen provided an update on behalf of Ms. Pittman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Kris Aubrey-Bassler is acting Chair for Family Medicine, and Dr. Jeff Flemming is acting Chair for Radiology. - The Office of Academic Affairs - Ms. Regina Edwards has accepted a one-year secondment in the Provost's Office. Currently, working on filling her role. - New name change for the Division of Community Health and Humanities will now be the "Division of Population Health and Applied Health Sciences". The new name change will be effective starting January 1, 2024. 	
Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. McKeen mentioned there is a funding opportunity for about \$20,000 through the Simulation Technology Simulation Fund. 	
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 19, 2023, 4:30 pm. 	