

**FACULTY OF MEDICINE
MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND
MINUTES OF FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING
May 21st, 2019 - 4:30 p.m. in Richard Fagan Lecture Theatre 1M101**

Present: Tanis Adey, Jane Barron, Richard Berish, Sara Dalley, Paul Dancey, Dennis Dillon, Ann Dorward, Sheila Drover, Norah Duggan, Jessica Esseltine, Michael Grant, Diana Gustafson, Alison Haynes, Renee Lester, Linda Magnusson, Kimberley Maich, Virginia Middleton, Amrah Pirzada, Tracey Pittman, Greg Radu, Jacinta Reddigan, Melissa Smith (recorder), Katherine Stringer, Michelle Swab, Reza Tabrizchi, Cathy Vardy (Chair), Brenda Wilson

Regrets: Michael Bautista, Kevin Chan, Daphne Crane, Kathleen Hodgkinson, Kara Laing, Gerry Mugford, Kim St. John, Pam Snow, Teri Stuckless

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks: (Dr. Cathy Vardy)

Dr. Vardy welcomed members to the meeting and asked if anyone would like to declare a Conflict of Interest with any of the agenda items. No Conflict of Interest was declared.

2. Approval of Minutes of April 23rd, 2019 meeting: (Dr. Cathy Vardy)

Dr. Vardy requested approval of the minutes of the April 23rd, 2019 meeting as circulated.

MOVED by Greg Radu/**SECONDED** by Reza Tabrizchi to approve the minutes of the April 23rd, 2019 meeting.

Since quorum was not reached, an official vote could not be conducted. The vote will therefore be carried out via an email poll.

3. Dean's Update: (Dr. Cathy Vardy)

There is nothing new to update at this time.

4. Updates:

- **Strategic Plan (Gerona McGrath)**

Destination Excellence Implementation Steering Team (DEIST) is the governing body for the five different project teams. Many of the teams have now broken down into smaller groups. The next steps with the strategic plan is to get the work that has been done by the teams out into the units for implementation.

All divisions and disciplines will be required to develop a set of priorities. The Discipline of Family Medicine has already developed theirs. The Discipline of Psychiatry and the Division of Community Health and Humanities have started their priorities with the Undergraduate Medical Education Office scheduled to commence this summer.

- **Unit Assessment (Jacinta Reddigan)**

The unit assessment working groups have two more scheduled meeting before summer. The next report is due to the President in October.

Dr. Nic Fairbridge is continuing to help with disseminating the data from the professionalism survey.

Main campus is currently working on a respective learning environment policy. Jacinta is working with main campus to ensure that the Faculty of Medicine is on the same page and that our policies align.

There was a position paper published regarding support for medical students with regards to mistreatment. Two of the students from the paper are invited to attend the next unit assessment working group meeting.

All updates regarding the unit assessment can be found on the unit assessment website at <https://www.med.mun.ca/Medicine/Leadership/Unit-Assessment.aspx>.

5. Student Promotions Committee Report – Convocation (Dr. Tanis Adey)

Dr. Tanis Adey, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Medical Education reported that 76 students are recommended for graduation with the MD degree.

6. Theme Based Curriculum in the MD Program (Dr. Alison Haynes)

Dr. Alison Haynes, Undergraduate Curriculum Lead presented on the move to theme based curriculum in the MD program. It has been discussed in great detail at the Undergraduate Medical Studies Committee and is still in the proposal stage. The hope is have theme based curriculum in effect for the incoming phase one students in the fall 2019 semester. Dr. Haynes indicated that this is not a change in curriculum, it is addressing issues in the current curriculum.

7. Other Business

No other business to discuss.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:52pm