

The University of British Columbia
Faculty Executive Committee

Jan 17, 2017
4:00 to 6:00 pm
Minutes

- Attendance: Dr. D. Money (chair), Dr. M. Allard, Mr. J. Beresford, Dr. V. Ciocca, Dr. M. Dawes, Dr. S. Forwell, Dr. C. Gotay, Dr. D. Hammell, Dr. W. Honer, Dr. M. Hubinette, Dr. A. Jones, Ms. S. Jordan Gaetz, Dr. C. Lovato, Ms. D. Lu, Dr. B. Lynn, Dr. B. Masri, Dr. J. McMillan, Dr. W. Miller, Dr. E. Moore, Ms. S. Murphy, Dr. C. Naus, Dr. G. Parhar, Ms. S. Paul, Mr. M. Shakespeare, Dr. A. Shah, Dr. R. Sidhu, Ms. K. White, Dr. R. Wong, Dr. B. Wright.
- Regrets: Dr. R. Callaghan, Dr. J. Christenson, Dr. B. Christie, Dr. G. Cundiff, Ms. L. Denis, Dr. A. Eddy, Dr. B. Fleming, Dr. B. Forster, Dr. L. Foster, Dr. M. Gleave, Dr. D. Kelleher, Dr. P. Keown, Dr. D. Kim, Dr. H. Lui, Dr. D. Maberley, Dr. P. Man, Dr. M. Marra, Dr. R. McMaster, Dr. M. Moore, Dr. A. Mui, Dr. S. Nicolaou, Dr. P. O'Connor, Dr. H. Oetter, Dr. R. Preston, Dr. G. Redekop, Ms. K. Sutton, Ms. C. Valensky, Dr. W. Wasserman, Dr. P. Winwood, Mr. E. Zhao.
- Guests: Ms. J. Golinski, Mr. D. Lampron, Dr. S. Reid, Dr. D. Patrick, Dr. W. Robinson, Mr. G. Rose, Dr. A. Townson, Dr. M. Wong .
- Locations: DHCC 11268 with videoconferencing to LSC-CMR 1312. UVic Medical Services Building 107, Northern Health Sciences Centre 9-374, Kelowna General Hospital CAC 235 (Kelowna) and teleconferencing.
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The Executive Vice-Dean called the meeting to order at 4.04 pm.

1.0. RECOGNITION OF LEADERSHIP: DR. D. PATRICK – DR. D. MONEY

Dr. Money recognized and thanked Dr. David Patrick for his service as Director of the School of Population and Public Health. Dr. Patrick served in this role from April 4, 2011 to August 31, 2016.

2.0. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOV 14, 2016

Minutes were reviewed, as circulated.

Motion: To approve the Faculty Executive Committee minutes of the November 14, 2016 meeting.

MOTION: Dr. B. Miller

SECONDED: Dr. S. Forwell

CARRIED

3.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND REPORT OF THE DEAN – DR. D. MONEY

Appointment Announcement: Drs. D. Lacaille, A Townson, and T. Tsang appointed Co-Interim Heads of Department of Medicine, effective January 16, 2017.

As per the Dean's Report circulated in advance of the meeting, the meeting chair both announced and offered condolences on the passing of Drs. E. Goldner, C. Leung, D. Louie, and G. Pirie.

4.0. FoM SENATE SUBMISSION – MDUP CATEGORY 1 CHANGES – DR. A. SHAH

Dr. A. Shah presented the proposed senate submission for category 1 changes for approval. The slide deck highlighted issues and proposed changes for Years 1 & 2 and Years 3 & 4 as two discrete groups:

- Year 1 & 2: Adjustments to include MEDD 410 (course deletion & content migration), 411(duration & credit increase), 412 (credit increase), 421(credit increase), 422(credit increase), 429 (duration & credit increase); add one week for self-directed study/assessment to courses in Years 1 & 2
- Year 3 & 4: Adjustment to be made to MEDD 431 (change to block structure, no change to content), MEDD 439 (move into year 4); MEDD 448 (length & credit reduction)

Total number of MDUP credits remains unchanged.

A discussion followed. A brief clarification was made surrounding the psychiatric interview component in the clinical blocks.

A concern was raised regarding implications of the current assessment structure whereby students can fail an individual clerkship but pass the year. There was also a suggestion for increased Departmental engagement opportunities regarding methodology of curriculum delivery. The education office offered assurance that there will be multiple modalities to address any student with clinical/knowledge deficits. Education team was asked to come back with a specific discussion surrounding the assessment process and available feedback channels at the next meeting. This concern was deemed separate from the voting issue.

It was also noted and generally agreed upon that the topic of cultural competency should be preserved during any course content migration. A suggestion was made to keep the senate submission document as concise as possible.

Motion: That the Faculty Executive approve the MDUP Category 1 Changes as proposed.

MOTION: Dr. A. Shah **SECONDED:** Dr. M. Dawes **CARRIED**

(23 in favour; one opposed; no abstentions)

5.0. FoM IT COMMITTEE UPDATE – DR. M. ALLARD & MR. D. LAMPRON

Dr. Mike Allard gave a high-level overview of the current status of the IT Committee. Highlights included:

- Completion of TOR in Oct 2016;
- Creation of the ITC website; and
- Overview of the three ITC priority areas, their respective progress, and next steps.

Mr. M. Shakespeare and Mr. Lampron added that communication is important throughout the process, as is an awareness of the overall context of ITC as it relates to the organization pillar of the Strategic Plan. Principle of future of IT is around ensuring the betterment of service experience. Projected timeline for completion of migration to CWL login is December 31, 2017.

6.0. REPORT OF THE GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE (2015 – 2016) – DR. W. ROBINSON

Dr. W. Robinson presented the report aided by a slide deck. Highlights included:

- The organizational structure of Graduate and Postdoctoral Education Committee briefly reviewed.
- Breakdown of FoM graduate & PDF trainees provided.
- Recruitment: A general increase in FoM grad student enrollment from 1991 – 2016 was noted with a slight decline in the number of doctoral students within the last few years. The number of students enrolled at each graduate level, including international students, was reviewed in the context of UBC as a whole. The trend was identified as encouraging overall.
- Recruitment challenges: Difficulty for prospective grad students in finding a supervisor may have been a contributor to declining PhD student enrollment. The Committee increased visibility of supervisor information on the graduate studies website and introducing the online supervisor search tool.
- Existing trainee support was reviewed, specifically funding and awards.
- PhD outcome tracking: results showed that the majority of FoM PhDs are working in their field of training.

- New initiatives: initiative fund was established to increase student engagement in the betterment of their learning environment; first round of funding completed.
- Friedman Scholars Program: This newly endowed award allows graduate students and medical residents to study abroad for six months. Committee working with UBC Graduate Studies on potential extension beyond the Faculty of Medicine.
- Goals for 2017 were briefly reviewed.

The Education office recognized the progress of graduate programs on multiple fronts and looks forward to strengthening the connections between the teams.

Considerations for recruitment & services for grad students at distributed sites were discussed. This need was acknowledged by the Regional Associate Deans & the Executive Vice-Dean.

Graduate students were acknowledged as indirect financial contributors to Faculty research by way of awards. The Education office looks forwards to working with the Research office to identify and bridge any gaps in the recruitment process.

The structure of the course on responsible conduct of research & benefits of attending for resident trainees was briefly discussed.

Awareness was raised regarding the underreporting of less-than-ideal learning environments. Faculty messaging to better promote available resources and services was identified as potential solutions. Standardization of policy document signed by students is in progress.

Ms. K. White to communicate figures from the report more broadly.

Motion: That the Faculty Executive adjourn the meeting.

MOTION: Dr. R. Wong

SECONDED: Dr. G. Parhar

CARRIED

7.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – DR. D. MONEY

None.

MEETING AJOURNED AT 4:52 pm