



**Faculty Council
Notes**

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

4:30 pm

Attendees: Stacey Alexander, Jane Barron, Sonny Collis, Chelsea Crossley, Peter Daley, Michael Grant, Tina Hickey, Alison Farrell, Edward Kendall, Renee Lester, Pamela Morgan, Gerald Mugford, Danielle O’Keefe, Darren O’Rielly, Patti Power, Eric Sala, Tevye Stachniak, Reza Tabrizchi (Chair), Barton Thiessen, Laurie Twells, Amanda Tzenov, Tracy Osmond, Brenda Wilson

Regrets: Janna Andronowski, Kathleen Hodgkinson, Kara Laing, Susan MacDonald, Dolores McKeen, Pamela Snow, Margaret Steele, Tracey Pittman, Kristen Romme, Paul Tucker

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Welcome and Introduction	- Dr. Tabrizchi welcomed everyone to the meeting both in person and virtually.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Agenda • Conflict of Interest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Tabrizchi added to the agenda an update on Academic Affairs. - Dr. Peter Daley moved approval of the agenda; seconded by Dr. Brenda Wilson. - COI - none noted; agenda approved. 	
Review and approval of prior minutes of February 21, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Tabrizchi noted a minor editorial update to the date in the minutes for the next meeting from “April 19, 2023” to “April 18, 2023”. - Dr. Tabrizchi noted that quorum for the meeting has not been achieved, therefore, the March 21, 2023 minutes with the friendly amendment will be recorded as notes. 	
Dean’s Updates	<p>Dr. Tabrizchi reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Office of Professional and Education Development (OPED) was the host of the Meredith Marks Mentorship Award winner Dr. Rachel Ellaway with a lecture, workshop and networking sessions: 	

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	<p>on March 28 and 29, 2023. Dr. Ellaway gave a lecture entitled <i>“The Challenges of Changing Medical Education”</i> and a workshop with the title <i>“What Kind Of Scholar Are You?”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Division of Community Health and Humanities had their first annual Graduate Student Research Day on March 24, 2023. There were over 30 presentation of orals and posters of diverse topics of multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary nature, in addition to a cluster presentation of comparisons between health systems. The key note was given by Dr. Roy West former Associate Dean of the Division of Community Health and Humanities and currently Professor Emeritus. - The new Memorial Policy for establishing university Centres has been published along with the related procedures and necessary documents. This information was circulated to faculty in March 2023. - The Policy can be found here: https://www.mun.ca/policy/browse-or-search/browse-policies/university-policy/?policy=522, and the related Procedure: https://www.mun.ca/policy/browse-or-search/browse-procedures/university-procedure/?procedure=695. - Congratulations to Dr. Janna Andronowski, Dr. Deepak Kaushik and Dr. Matthew Parsons who each were awarded NSERC Discovery Grant this spring, the outcome of fall 2022 competition. - The Office of Professional and Education Development (OPED) announced a funding opportunity for the Medical Education Research Fund (MERF) for Scholarly Projects in Medical Education. The envelope is designed to support innovative research projects that aim to advance medical students' and educators' knowledge, skills, and professionalism. The deadline for the submission of proposals is May 26, 2023. 	
<p>Notice of Motion: Applicant Code of Conduct, Doctor of Medicine Degree</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Thiessen brought forward the Notice of Motion for the <i>Applicant Code of Conduct for the Doctor of Medicine Degree</i>. He provided explanation on reason for the creation of this document. Dr. Thiessen indicated the need to have a formal document outlining professional conduct for individuals 	

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	<p>submitting an application to medical school to ensure that the information provided in the applications is professional, ethical and honest as well as outlining the consequences if the information submitted is not truthful.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Thiessen noted there have been instances where individuals have not been professional and honest with respect to their submission and this document has been created to ensure that individuals are truthful in their submissions as well as addresses issues surrounding anonymous complaints toward potential applicants. - There was a question on what happens when an applicant becomes a student. Dr. Thiessen indicated once the individual accepts the seat and pays the deposit they are then considered a student. As long as they do not have a seat then not considered a student. 	
<p>Vote for the Notice of Motion from March 21, 2023: Change to Newfoundland and Labrador Residency Definition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Thiessen presented for approval the Notice of Motion for the change to the Newfoundland and Labrador (NL) Residency Definition. - The motion was moved by Dr. Thiessen; seconded by Dr. Wilson. As quorum was not achieved, Ms. Osmond will circulate an e-vote for voting on the Notice of Motion. - He indicated the reason for changing the NL Residency Definition was because there was a very small number of applicants that are applying for the different seats. - Dr. Thiessen noted that had received some correspondence via email regarding the NL Residency Definition that he wanted to share with Faculty Council. - Discussion surrounded: - Clarification that people with lesser residents in Newfoundland and Labrador would still be able to compete for a seat as a Newfoundland student. Dr. Thiessen noted that this is the reason for the change to the definition looking to increase the suitable pool of applicants. - Dr. Thiessen mentioned this definition will be reviewed yearly. 	<p>Ms. Osmond will circulate an e-vote for approval of Change to the NL Residency Definition.</p>

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Senate Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Kendall presented the report as was submitted with the meeting materials. It was noted that most items on the agenda were deferred. - There was ongoing discussions at the meeting around the Senate reform process and importance to the governance structure of Senate and the notion of how to represent EDI priority at the university. - Comments received were from administrators and students but interestingly that there were no comments from elected faculty. - Dr. Kendall noted that an update was circulated on several of the academic leadership searches - https://www.mun.ca/vpacademic/academic-recruitment/leadership-searches/. - Dr. Kendall noted that at Senate there is concern regarding the direction of the university overall and how programs and new initiatives are introduced and what impact they have an existing programs, and that there is concern that Senate is not a comfortable place to discuss issues. - Dr. Kendall noted that there is a key concern surrounding the support for committees do not always have the appropriate level of support. For example, the Committee on Research and CITL who do not have the appropriate level of support so they can conduct their work. The Senate does not have its own budget - Dr. Tabrizchi noted there are three (3) vacancies for the Faculty of Medicine on Senate. 	
Academic Search Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Tabrizchi provided an update on behalf of Ms. Tracey Pittman. Dr. Tabrizchi reported that the: - Review Committee for Chair of Family Medicine is being chaired by Dr. Dolores McKeen. The Committee is planning the review day. - Search Committee for Vice Dean, RGS is being chaired by Dr. Brendan Barrett and the position is posted to our website. - Search Committee for Chair of Anesthesia has now been formed. 	
Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - None. 	

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Adjournment	- The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 4:30 pm.	

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