

School Council Minutes of Meeting 3:00-5:00 pm / June 14, 2017 Room 574, HSB Teleconference: 416-933-8665 Conference 2337939

Attendance: Victoria Arrandale (phone), Ananya Banerjee, Morteza Bashash, Nancy Baxter, Anita Benoit, Jeff Brook (phone), Shafi Bhuiyan (phone), Sue Bondy, Paul Bozek, Jennifer Brooks, Adalsteinn Brown, Liviana Calzavara (phone), Bernard Choi, Rhonda Cockerill, Donald Cole, Andrea Cortinois, Raisa Deber, Lauren DellaMora (phone) Erica DiRuggiero, Mark Dobrow, France Gagnon, Mavic Galicia, Gurjinder Gill, Daniel Grace, Vinusha Gunaseelan, Howard Hu, Robin Hurst, Prabhat Jha (phone), Tracy Kirkham, Michael Lebenbaum, Patrick Loisel, Charlotte Lombardo, Christina Lopez, Vincci Lui, Cameron Mustard, Jasmine Pawa (phone) Kayvan Sayyediviand, Jeremy Scott, Aviv Shachak, Arjumand Siddiqi Guests: Nicole Bodnar, Melodie Buhagiar, Pierette Buklis, Sarah Ko

- 1. Donald Cole, Chair of Council called the meeting to order at 1505, and acknowledged those who were attending by phone.
- 2. Paul Bozek requested for an amendment/addition to the agenda under 6.a. Education Committee Matters: CHL5427 Deactivation, inadvertently missed.
- 3. A motion to approve the agenda was put forward by Steini Brown, seconded by Jeremy Scott.
- 4. Donald Cole highlighted points from the Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2017, circulated prior for review. A motion to approve the minutes was put forward by Christina Lopez and seconded by Paul Bozek.

Donald Cole turned to Mark Dobrow to speak to the item under Business Arising/update on changes to School Council Constitution and ByLaws.

Mark Dobrow, Co-Chair of School Council described to the Council the process of revision that was undertaken by the Working Group (Co-Chairs and Council Secretary). Mark referred the Council to the revision timetable provided by the Provost's office. As it stands, the Consitution and By-Laws are currently going through further revision and feedback with the Provost's Advisory Group. It is anticipated that the revision process should allow for implementation of the approved Constitution and By-Laws by July 2018.



Donald Cole thanked those who provided suggestions for revision and further informed the Council of the dialogue that took place with Mae-Yu Tan and partly with Daniella Mallinick in the Provost's office throughout the revision process enacted by the Working Group of the Council. A number of clarifications were made in the past weeks which are fairly reflected in the table of revisions and amendments. Donald then went on point by point with the revisions expalining why statements are worded as they are apropos to the required amendments from the Governing Council and/or suggested by the Working Group of Council and feedback from School Council members. Discussions on each point followed, results are reflected in the attached updated Constitution and ByLaws.

5. Deans' Reports

Howard thanked Donald Cole for "ably chairing" the School Council. This was followed by an applause of appreciation from the Council. He also remarked on how productive and orderly the "democratic" meetings have been over the last years.

Howard reminded folks that his presentation from the last faculty meeting is available through the Dean's office.

Highlights:

- Dean attended the PHS June convocation which he described as "fantastic" sitting beside Sir George Alleyne who was on hand to shake the hands of the graduands. Students were remarkably inspired.
- Budget- not much new news specially with the leadership transition
- Good news: Received approval from Provost for the slate of all oneyear faculty renewals and new appointments previously submitted for approval
- Received \$2.6M grant: Merck for Mothers, announcement ceremony hosted by Suzanne Stewart
- Gage (THE Lab space for DLSPH) renovation: because of additional research that was required to meet fire and building codes, actual estimate went up to \$4.5M, something the School is unable to meet. Alternative plans were presented to allow DLSPH to enjoy the \$0.75M investment from the federal government and the \$0.25M from the University but the university decided it would not be responsive to the CFI RFA, putting the entire university ask at risk. The School has now pulled out of this initiative. Howard expressed regrets and noted the hard work James Scott and Robin Hurst put into it. The School, however, received a written commitment to retain \$1M worth of investment into renos of Gage with conditions to come up



with additional moneys for an effective renovation. Updates on this as it happens.

- Pleased to receive a draft of school-wide proposal on Diversity and Equity from co-chairs Rhonda Cockerill and Arjumand Siddiqi. Howard briefly mentioned that the consultations were attended by 75 folks from which 5 sub-committees were formed. The proposal needs plans on how to operationalize the statement and create attainable goals that can be monitored. This proposal will be considered by the School Council as part of the governance process.
- At the last Dean's Advisory Board meeting, the Dean is pleased to say that with efforts made by Steini Brown, Ross Upshur and others, in the School's integration of Public Health and Health Systems initiative, the ideas of creating a school-led or partnered initiative in Barrie had now been taken up by Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN). Susan Fitzpatrick, new CEO of the Toronto Central LHIN, did a presentation on how DLSPH can play a role in some of the innovations being thought of for making the Health System in Toronto more sustainable. An important opportunity for the School.
- Branding exercise to begin this fall, building on the Strategic Plan. This is an opportunity to come up with an identity, a way of thinking about the School that will propel a sense of cohesion of all the good happenings in the school that will help to project the School's image both within and outside the University; outside of the School, other schools continue to rethink on how to create their identity and brand; perhaps it is time to revisit the idea of accreditation, etc. He encouraged everyone to actively engage in this exercise.
- Part of last thoughts: advancement campaign- work in progress. This deserves more attention in order for the School to be considered as a resource for the entire university as well as the donor community. He hopes the branding exercise will help.

At this point, Howard, turned over the floor to Steini Brown who thanked Howard for 5 years of leadership of the School. Steini indicated the first two months on the job will be spent on listening, and building more momentum across the School, to make the School more stable and exciting. He further said it will be a "very, very busy Fall." He informed the Council that he will be using School Council meetings more as a faculty-wide forum, encouraging broader attendance. Cross-walks and cross talks will be happening. Steini said he will request a special meeting in August to discuss the Teaching Effectiveness Guidelines, turning to Mark Dobrow and Sue Bondy, incoming Co-Chair. He also thanked Donald Cole for his service in the School Council.

Donald thanked both Howard and Steini and opened floor for questions for either one. There being none, he proceeded to the next agenda item.



- 6.a Paul Bozek, Chair of Education Committee reported approval of minor modifications on the courses below by the Education Committee, which do not require endorsement by School Council but as a matter for information only.
 - Minor Modifications (New Course)
 - CHL5809H Ecological Public Health
 - CHL5428H Epidemiological Methods for Causal Mediation Analyses
 - CHL5131H Theoretical Foundations for Qualitative Health Research
 - CHL5627H Educational Technology for Health Practitioner Education
 - New SLI practicum course (HAD2011H)
 - Name/Format Change
 - CHL5700H Global Health
 - Deactivation CHL5427

Paul reported that additional/separate discussions have been had on how awards are initiated/administered/policies for selection of adjudicators for fairness; he plans to educate himself on these matters over the Summer; to be discussed during the next Education Committee meeting in the Fall.

There were no queries nor comments.

6.b School Council and Committee Membership (see membership listing in attached documents).

There are 8 spots to fill for Other Academic Appointees in the School Council. The 7 named are to move forward for confirmation at the August 16 special meeting. Two (2) new admin staff have come up. Sue Bondy's appointment as School Council Co-Chair was confirmed at previous Executive Meeting.

These nominees were discussed at Executive Committee and those members whose terms are up were identified. For School Council, some are new, such as the External Stakeholder, Bernard Choi; some are continuing. Rhonda Cockerill as Interim Director serves as ex-officio member of School Council.

The motion to pass these nominations was put forward by Heather Manson and seconded by Jeremy Scott. No objections were noted.

Action item: Contact Catherine Chalin to confirm whether continuing or not.



UPDATE:

In confirming with the new PHSA and IHPME GSU in August, these are the student reps to School Council: (based on current Constitution, there should be 13) they will be invited to the Special School Council Meeting on August 16.

1	Michael Levin	IHPME/MHSc	School Council
2	Anson Li	ІНРМЕ/МНІ	School Council
3	Vinusha Gunaseelan	IHPME/HSR MSc	School Council
4	Mayuri Mahentharan	IHPME/HSR MSc	School Council
5	Matthew Farr	IHPME/HSR PhD	School Council
6	Kayvan Sayyediviand	IHPME/HSR PhD	School Council
7	Lindsay Toth	DLSPH/MPH SBHS	School Council
8	Anya Archer	DLSPH/MPH SBHS	School Council
9	Jasmine Pawa	Resident	School Council

7. Other business: Heather Manson announced that there are two applied PH Science Specialist positions at PHO. This was forwarded to Nicole Bodnar, Communications Director for wider circulation.

Mark Dobrow reiterated thanks to Donald Cole for his great work in the School Council.

Donald announced: next (special) meeting of School Council will be in August 2017.

Meeting was adjourned with a motion at 16:46 by Raisa Deber and seconded by Rhonda Cockerill.