The University of British Columbia  
Faculty of Medicine Executive Committee  
October 20, 2009

Minutes


Guests: S. Roth, Director, Development, A. Campbell, Senior Alumni Relations Manager, Development


Absent: D. Fedida, N. Jetha, S. Langland, F. Mikelberg, E. Moore, N. Müller, C. Stringer

Location: Life Sciences Centre, Curriculum Management Room #1312 with video conference to Gordon & Leslie Diamond Health Care Centre GLDHCC Room 11268, UVic and KGH.

All attendees introduced themselves.

1.0 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF August 18, 2009

MOTION: Dr. H. McKay SECONDED: Dr. G. Meneilly: That the minutes of the August 18, 2009 meeting of Faculty Executive be approved. CARRIED

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Dean indicated that the business arising from the minutes would be covered off under other items.

3.0 REPORT OF THE DEAN

3.1 Appointments

The Dean is pleased to report the following:

Dr. Ross MacGillivray appointed Vice Dean, Academic Affairs, Faculty of Medicine effective September 16, 2009 to September 15, 2010.

Dr. Roger Brownsey appointed Department Head, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology effective July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2014.

Dr. Michael Allard appointed Interim Department Head, Pathology & Laboratory Medicine effective August 1, 2009 to January 31, 2010.

Dr. John Anderson appointed Assistant Dean, MD Undergraduate Education, Island Medical Program, effective September 1, 2009 to June 30, 2012.

3.2 Updates

The Dean will attend a breakfast discussion group meeting with Professor Emeriti at the University Golf Club on November 3, 2009. It was noted the Emeriti are key members of the Faculty and should be listed as members on the department websites.
UBC has been selected as the site for the 2009 Visiting Medalist in Medicine hosting Dr. Jeffrey Meyer on behalf of Dr. Trevor Young and Dr. Jon Fleming, UBC Department of Psychiatry. Dr. Meyer will visit UBC on January 14, 2010.

UBC has also been selected as the 2009 Visiting Medalist in Surgery, hosting Dr. Mohit Bhandari on behalf of Dr. Bassam Masri, UBC Department of Orthopaedics. Dr. Bhandari will visit UBC on December 8-9, 2009.

Dr. Thomas Marrie is the new Dean of Medicine at Dalhousie University. Dr. Marrie is the former Dean of Alberta’s Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry.

The LCME/CACMS Limited Site Survey will take place on March 21-23, 2010.

Discussions with SFU leadership continue. The Dean will be meeting with members from SFU and Fraser Health Authority this week.

The issue around International Medical Graduates (IMGs) and in particular Canadians Studying Abroad (CSAs) has gained political attention from the Premier. There is a high expectation that UBC will be part of the solution in seeking answers around the IMGs.

3.3 Announcements

Congratulations were extended to:

Dr. Oscar Casiro, Regional Associate Dean, Island Medical Program has been appointed the new President of the Medical Council of Canada (MCC). Dr. Casiro will serve a once year term.

2009 Order of BC Recipients
- Dr. Michael R. Hayden, Professor, Department of Medical Genetics / Director, Centre for Molecular Medicine and Therapeutics.
- Dr. Robert E.W. Hancock, Professor / Associate Member, Faculty of Science / Department of Pediatrics.
- Dr. Linda Warren, Clinical Professor, Department of Radiology.
- Dr. Ray Markham, Clinical Instructor, Department of Family Practice.

2009 College of Family Physicians of Canada Awards Recipients
- Dr. John Pawlovich, Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Family Practice is one of the recipient of the 2009 Canada’s Family Physicians of the Year – the Reg. L. Perkin Award.
- Dr. Robin Love, Clinical Assistant Professor, Dr. Tracy Morton, Clinical Instructor and Dr. Cameron Ross, Clinical Instructor of the Department of Family Practice are the recipients of the 2009 Awards of Excellence.
- Dr. Stefan Grzybowski, Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine is the recipient of the 2009 Family Researcher of the Year Award.

Dr. Julian Marsden, Acting Co-Head of the UBC Department of Emergency Medicine is the recipient of the 2009 Leadership in Quality and Safety Award from the BC Patient Safety & Quality Council.

Dr. Julio Montaner, Professor, Department of Medicine and Director of the BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS has been elected to the Royal Society of Canada.

Five members of the Faculty of Medicine are among the 28 new Fellows of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences
- Dr. Alison Buchan, Executive Associate Dean, Research and Professor, Department of Cellular and Physiological Sciences
• Dr. Marco Marra, Professor, Department of Medical Genetics and Director of the Genome Sciences Centre at the BC Cancer Agency
• Dr. Jon Stoessl, Professor, Division of Neurology and Director of the Pacific Parkinson’s Research Centre
• Dr. Trevor Young, Professor and Head, Department of Psychiatry
• Dr. Janice Eng, Professor, Department of Physical Therapy.

Dr. Janice Eng, Professor in the Department of Physical Therapy was also named the recipient of the 2009 Jonas Salk Award.

Dr. James C. Hogg, Order of Canada (OC), Professor Emeritus, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine has been inducted into the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame in the Basic Research category.

Dr. Judith Hall, Professor Emerita, Departments of Pediatrics and Medical Genetics is the recipient of the UBC Alumni Association Outstanding Faculty Community Service Award.

Dr. Victor Gomel, Professor Emeritus, Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology is the recipient of a 2009 Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science from the Simon Fraser University.

Dr. Donald Rix, Clinical Assistant Professor Emeritus, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine is the 2009 recipient of Canadian Medical Association – Frederic Newton Gisborne (F.N.G.) Starr Award.

Ms. Donna Drynan, Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy is the recipient of the 2009 British Columbia Society of Occupational Therapists (BCSOT) Outstanding OT of the Year Award.

Dr. Ravi Sidhu, Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery has been named the 2009 Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada “Program Director of the Year”.

Dr. David Levy has been appointed the new President of BC Cancer Agency effective November 2009.

The Dean noted with regret the passing of:

Dr. Hamish Nicol, Associate Professor Emeritus of the Department of Psychiatry passed away on August 23, 2009. Dr. Nichol joined the Department of Psychiatry at the Vancouver General Hospital and UBC in 1961 and became the Head of the Division of Psychiatry a position he held for 10 years. A memorial minute will be appended.

Dr. George Anderson, Clinical Professor Emeritus of the Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine passed away August 21, 2009. Dr. Anderson was first appointed to the department as a Clinical Associate Professor in April 1, 1980 and was promoted to the rank of Clinical Professor in 1987. His career in Pathology and Cytology spanned 37 years. A memorial minute is appended.

Dr. Frederick R. (Bobby) Johnstone, Professor Emeritus in the Division of General Surgery (Department of Surgery) passed away peacefully in his 87th year on September 22, 2009. Dr. Johnstone joined the UBC Department of Surgery in 1955 as an Assistant Professor and was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor in 1959 and Professor in 1967. He served as Acting Head of this Department of Surgery and for many years coordinated MD Undergraduate surgical teaching. A memorial minute is appended.

Dr. Naveen Deshpande, an R4 Neurology Resident in the Division of Neurology passed away on October 13, 2009.
4.0 ANNUAL ADMISSIONS REPORT - M.C. Fabian

Dr. Fabian spoke on the UBC MD Undergraduate Admission statistics for MED 2013 and gave an overview of the statistical data on application and admissions for 2009 with comparative figures for 2007 and 2008. A copy of the report was circulated with the agenda. The report will soon be made available on the website of the MD Undergraduate Admissions at:

http://www.med.ubc.ca/education/md_ugrad/MD_Undergraduate_Admissions/MD_Undergraduate_Admisions_Statistics.htm

**MOTION:** Dr. G. Meneilly SECONDED: Dr. D. Shaw: That the 2009 Annual Admissions Report be accepted. **CARRIED**

5.0 SOUTHERN MEDICAL PROGRAM REPORT – A. Jones

Dr. Allan Jones, Regional Associate Dean, Interior provided an update on the development of the University of British Columbia’s Southern Medical Program and circulated the document for information. Dr. Jones outlined the accreditation activities and SMP planning milestones noting the UBC-O Health Sciences Centre is on schedule and will be completed by January 2011 with the first SMP co-horts starting at UBC-O in January 2012. Dr. Jones summarized his engagement process with Department Heads and leaders in the Interior and noted the importance of creating linkages and fostering relationships between Department Heads in the Interior and at the Vancouver sites. A number of liaisons between the sites have begun.

6.0 GRADUATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE – P. Leung

Dr. Peter Leung, Associate Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Education presented proposed changes to the Graduate Education Committee Terms of Reference based on the recommendations by the recent ad hoc committee review report. A justification for the changes was made and support for the proposal to take effect November 1, 2009 was approved.

**MOTION:** Dr. P. Leung SECONDED: Dr. G. Meneilly: That the proposed changes to the Terms of Reference of the Graduate Education Committee be approved. **CARRIED**

7.0 DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATION – C. Valensky/S. Roth

Ms. Cindi Valensky, Assistant Dean, Advancement and Ms. Sarah Roth, Director, Development gave an overview of the Advancement Portfolio comprised of three components: Marketing & Communications and Development aligned with Alumni Affairs. Ms. Roth spoke of the priorities and activities of the Development and Alumni Affairs unit with the goal to raise more funds and to build an affinity with alumni and friends of the Faculty. Faculty leadership were asked to collaborate with the Development and Alumni Affairs office on opportunities to reach out to alumni and targeted campaigns.

8.0 PROPOSAL FOR NEW RANK PARTNER APPOINTMENTS – T. Brimner

Ms. Tammy Brimner, Executive Director, Faculty Affairs presented the “Policy on Appointments in the Faculty of Medicine for Employees of Partner Institutions” draft document which was brought forward from the October 1, 2009 meeting of the Department Heads and Directors. The criteria was outlined. It was indicated this proposed policy would address the issues and concerns for individuals who hold appointments with Partner Institutions external to UBC and wish to have an affiliation with UBC. After discussion, several clarifications were agreed to.

**MOTION:** Dr. G. Meneilly SECONDED: Dr. R. Armstrong: That, subject to the agreed clarifications, the “Policy on Appointments in the Faculty of Medicine for Employees of Partner Institutions” document be approved. **CARRIED**
9.0 OTHER BUSINESS

A draft of the formal response addressing the 27 specific recommendations outlined in the External Review of the FoM is being prepared.

**ACTION:** This document will be brought to a future Faculty Executive meeting prior to being taken to the Provost.

A copy of the Review of Harold Robinson Arthritis Society Chair in Arthritic Diseases was circulated for information.

Specific comments regarding the Faculty Executive format should be forwarded to Ms. Tammy Brimner.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.
MEMORIAL MINUTE

Dr. Hamish Nicol
Department of Psychiatry

Dr. Hamish Nichol, Associate Professor Emeritus in the Department of Psychiatry died unexpectedly on August 23, 2009. Dr. Nichol grew up in South Africa. After graduating from college he joined the Royal Navy and served during WWII. He studied medicine at Cambridge and neurology and psychiatry in Birmingham and London before moving to New York to study child psychiatry at Bellevue Hospital Medical Centre and the Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

Dr. Nichol joined the Departments of Psychiatry at Vancouver General Hospital and UBC in 1961 and became the Head of the Division of Psychiatry, a position he held for 10 years. During this period he was instrumental in establishing the foundations of what is now recognized as one of the best clinical and training programs of the UBC Department of Psychiatry and Children’s Hospital. He also served the Department successfully as Director of Residency Education, and the Royal College of Canada as an examiner for nearly twenty years.

Dr. Nichol was an effective and compassionate clinician. He was also a highly successful teacher widely recognized by his students and peers. His broad and diverse training and background, extensive knowledge and clarity of thinking stood him well with his peers. His essential qualities and personal attributes of integrity, commitment, boundless energy, curiosity, enthusiasm, and the interest for the plight of the less fortunate earned him respect and affection from patients and students alike.

These qualities kept Dr. Nichol busy and productive long after he retired from UBC in 1989 and until the day of his death. Professionally he continued his private practice and joined the Pacific Voice Clinic at the Vancouver General and UBC Hospitals. With Drs. Linda Ramage and Murray Morrison he co-authored the textbook: Management of the voice and its disorders published by Singular, San Diego, California, now in its second edition.

Dr. George Anderson
Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

Dr. George Hamilton, Clinical Professor Emeritus of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine passed away peacefully on August 21, 2009. Dr. Anderson was first appointed to the department as a Clinical Associate Professor in April 1, 1980 and was promoted to the rank of Clinical Professor in 1987. Dr. Anderson obtained his medical training in London, England and first came to Canada in 1961. His career in Pathology and Cytology spanned 37 years, taking George and his family to Ottawa, Victoria, Halifax and lastly Vancouver where he spent the remaining professional years at the BC Cancer Agency and UBC. In retirement, he and his wife moved to Victoria where they enjoyed reconnecting with old friends and the natural beauty of Vancouver Island.

Dr. Frederick R.C. (“Bobby”) Johnstone
Division of General Surgery, Department of Surgery

Dr. Frederick R.C. (“Bobby”) Johnstone, Professor Emeritus in the Division of General Surgery passed away on September 22, 2009 at the age of 86. Dr. Johnstone obtained an MB, ChB at the University of Edinburgh in 1945 and was appointed to the University of British Columbia in 1950 as a Teaching Fellow in Anatomy. He joined the UBC Department of Surgery in 1955 as an Assistant Professor and was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor in 1959 and as Professor in 1967. Dr. Johnstone retired from the University in 1983 and subsequently was awarded Professor Emeritus designation.

We honour Dr. F.R.C. Johnstone’s numerous contributions to communication the history and development of treatment, particularly surgical treatment of breast cancer to the understanding of hospital infections and to the development of surgery in the Acute Care Unit at Vancouver General Hospital. He served as Acting Head of this Department of Surgery and for many years coordinated MD Undergraduate surgical teaching.