

FACULTY BOARD, FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Minutes of Meeting Dec. 6, 2001

Etherington Hall Auditorium @ 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Dr. A. Clark with 25 members present.

1. **Announcements**

No announcements.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

**Moved** by Dr. J. Brien and **Seconded** by Dr. M. Lamb that the agenda be approved with two additions.

**CARRIED**

3. **Approval of Last Regular Minutes of October 4, 2001**

**Moved** by Dr. P. Aston and **Seconded** by Dr. S. Taylor that the minutes be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

4. **Introduction of New Faculty**

Department of Medicine, Dr. Don Brunet introduced Dr. Paul Malik, Dr. Kotoworola Ogunyankin, Dr. Giovanni Pari, and Dr. Mike Baird.

Department of Anesthesiology, Dr. John Cain introduced Dr. Yuri Borshch and Dr. Gordon Morewood.

The new faculty members were welcomed by Faculty Board with an enthusiastic round of applause.

5. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. **Dean's Report**

Dean D. Walker expressed his disappointment in the attendance at Board and indicated that, in future, more items will be brought to Board for decision to encourage participation of Board members.

It was reported that Queen's is doing well relative to our sister medical schools in Ontario with respect to adapting to the current political and budgetary situations, and as a result has good credibility at Queen's Park.

## **a) Budget**

The Dean pointed out the irony of an increase in capital funding at the same time that we are experiencing a decrease in operational funding. The School of Nursing collaborative program with St. Lawrence College is going well. The degree program in the School of Rehabilitation Therapy will move from a bachelors to a masters for both the physical and occupational therapy streams.

In the School of Medicine, the tuition has increased and will continue to rise but only to a limit, as the tuition is rapidly approaching the point at which a significant number of students may be prevented from enrolling in medical studies.

## **b) New Initiatives**

- The School of Human Health plans continue to evolve with the curricula and streams being developed by a committee chaired by Dr. Kanji Nakatsu.
- The Allied Health Technologies collaborative program with the various educational partners – Dr. Tony Sanfilippo has suggested that programs in medical resonance imaging echo cardiograph technology be taken under consideration for initiation.
- The Cancer Research Institute building will be going up behind and attached to Botterell Hall, with virtually all of the funding in place.

## **c) QUORA**

The enrollment in medical school by next fall is anticipated to increase to 100 students, giving us an increase of some 35% over the last few years. The number of postgraduate residency positions is also expected to increase by 135 positions for Ontario, coming on stream shortly.

## **d) Distribution of Medical Undergraduate/Postgraduate**

The Regional Education Director will be named in the next few weeks.

## **e) Advancement**

The capital campaign of Queen's University has passed the target of \$200 million and will probably realize a sum in the order of \$300 million. Post Campaign goals will need to be established.

# **1. Research Report**

## **a) Report From Established Research Foci-Cancer Research, tx, care**

Dr. J. Pater presented a description of progress on the development of the Cancer Research Institute. There will be some 260 personnel in total. In addition to the initial

three core areas, there is development of an additional unit in Developmental Therapeutics, headed by Dr. Ann Smith. The training grant for the Cancer Research Institute has been submitted to CIHR, and even if this is not approved, some form of training program in cancer research will probably go forward. The tenders for the new building will be opened soon with construction expected to follow very quickly.

The next steps for the Cancer Research Institute are to: recruit a Director, create an administrative structure, start the training program, and stimulate development of collaborative research projects. An added benefit of the new building being attached to Botterell Hall is that, for a very modest cost, space will be created into which the Animal Care Facility can be expanded as additional funds for finishing that space become available, thus alleviating some of our requirements for additional care space.

#### **b) Approval of Guidelines for Research Mentorship Program For New Faculty**

It was *moved* by Dr. J. Brien, and *seconded* by Dr. J. Cain, that the voluntary guidelines for a research mentorship program for new faculty in the Faculty of Health Sciences at Queen's University be approved. After some discussion, the intent of the program to assist new faculty members and departments in dealing with the development of their careers was clarified as being voluntary and assertive rather than prescriptive.

**CARRIED UNANAMOUSLY**

Some of the comments arising during the discussion from Dr. Karen Smith that teaching is an important scholarly activity and how this was to be mentored was not addressed in the document. Dr. Don Brunet indicated that some form of evaluation should be included. Dr. Peter Davies, via Dr Albert Clark, opposed the formation of more committees as the culture within the Department of Biochemistry is sufficient to help new faculty members.

#### **c) Approval of Guidelines for Internal Review of Grant Applications**

It was *moved* by Dr. J. Brien, and *seconded* by Dr. S. Olney, that the guidelines for internal review of grant applications in the Faculty of Health Sciences at Queen's University be approved as distributed. There was general support for the concepts outlined in the document. The incentive for following these guidelines was described under point (I) with respect to bridge funding and the way in which this is implemented will be developed by the Advisory Research Committee.

**CARRIED UNANAMOUSLY**

### **1. Report From the Schools**

#### **a) School of Nursing**

No matters to report.

#### **b) School of Rehabilitation Therapy**

The School is in the process of changing from a bachelors to a masters program in both physical and occupational therapy.

### **c) School of Medicine**

#### **• Admissions Report**

Dr. Peter Ellis reported on the Admissions Committee's activities. For 2001, the number of candidates applying to medicine was 1,580; the number interviewed was 427. The total number offered admission was 147, with 90 positions to fill. Dr. Ellis noted that the rate of acceptance at Queen's University was very high relative to other schools.

The three-step process of assessment of medical school applicants was described.

Step 1: is heavily dependant upon the grade-point average with the cutoff established to be 3.57.

Step 2: the MCAT was considered and Queen's entering students scored high on these in comparison to their cohorts from across North America.

Step 3: the letters of reference, personal information, and interviews were taken into consideration. It was noted that in two-year's time, McMaster University will cease using the interview procedure.

#### **• Tribute to Dr. John Milliken**

Dr. D. Brunet read a tribute to Dr. John Milliken, a copy of which will be included in the minutes.

### **1. New Business**

#### **• Department of Rehabilitation Medicine Name Change**

It was **moved** by Dr. K. Smith and **seconded** by Dr. T. Anastassiades, that the name of the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine be changed to the "Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation".

**CARRIED UNANAMOUSLY**

#### **• The Betty O'Neil Scanlon and Dr. Francis Canella Bursary**

It was **moved** by Dr. P. Aston, and **seconded** by Dr. J. Brien, that the terms of reference for the Betty O'Neil Scanlon and Dr. Francis Canella Bursary be approved by Faculty Board and forwarded to Senate for their approval.

**CARRIED**

#### **The Betty O'Neil Scanlon and Dr. Francis Canella Bursary**

Established in memory of Mrs. Betty O'Neil Scanlon and Dr. Francis Canella, M.D., C.M., 1960, by her husband Dr. John Scanlon, M.D., C.M., 1958, and his brother Dr. Joseph Canella, M.D., 1961. Awarded to students in any medical year in the Faculty of Health Sciences on the basis of financial need. Applications should be made to the Associate University Registrar (Student Awards) by 31 October. Selection will be made in consultation with the School of Medicine.

Value: variable.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Kanji Nakatsu, Ph.D.  
Acting Secretary

W.J. Racz  
Secretary, Faculty Board