

Executive Council Meeting

February 28, 2022 Zoom Session

Attendees-Reg Urbanowski, Deborah Handziuk, Mark Garrett, Diana Sanchez-Ramirez, Brenda McKechnie, Kaitlin King, Kim Baessler, Margaret Anne Campbell-Rempel, Puck Mai, Sarah Conci, Alex Athayde, Sandra Webber, Lisa Engel and Leanne Leclair

Regrets- Randi Vandale, Maribel Abrenica, Debra Beach Ducharme, Brian MacNeil, Dean Kriellaars, Maureen Walker, Juliette Cooper, Justin Monton and Shaylyn Moar

Recorder- Liane Allen

Quorum met

I. Endowed Chair in Technology Assisted Living Proposal

a. Background

- i. Position discussion first occurred in 2016 at a faculty workshop
- ii. The technology stream runs across all research clusters
- iii. Reg worked with HSC and Dr. Eric Jacobsohn on creating a jointly funded position.
- iv. Position will provide a research focus, guidance and will be able to obtain resources. Allows us to propose new methods and techniques. Partnership with HSC will allow for further clinical work and research
- v. Fundraising goal for position is 3 million dollars. The interest from the principle will be used to offset salary, benefits and resources needed to for research purposes. Each foundation is responsible for coming up with 1.5 million dollars
- vi. Position title of Chair in Technology Assisted Living Proposal was chosen as it is broad and encompasses multiple steams of technology
- vii. Will provide a mid-career or senior researcher with the opportunity to engage in at least 50% research, will provide mentorship.
- viii. Once a candidate is selected they will be assigned to a department, funds will flow to that operating fund.
- ix. Open to current faculty members, can also be advertised externally

b. Open Discussion

- i. The proposal has been written broadly enough to allow for workload negotiation between the incumbent and the department head. Areas of negotiation include, but are not limited to, the following: workload, general allocation of endowment funds, position criteria expectations
- ii. Annual program report and performance review criteria will be agreed on by the respective department head and the incumbent prior to the individual assuming the endowed chair role
- iii. The term mid-career researcher was not been defined in the proposal to allow people to consider the position. Eligible applicants can hold the title of assistant, associate, or full professor. Although it is more likely that a post-tenure faculty member will be a successful candidate, anyone is eligible to apply.

- iv. As an endowed chair, the position will be filled according to Senate policy and procedures. The RFHS Vice Dean for Research office will provide process assistance in the endowed chair hiring process.
- c. Amendment
 - i. Term of Appointment
 - 1. Removal of the following verbiage
 - a. The renewal of the appointment for additional terms, conditional upon available funds, will occur in the final year of the term subject to a successful review of the incumbent's performance within the context of the appointee's home department; the process of renewal will be initiated and jointly coordinated by the Dean, or delegate from the College of Rehabilitation Sciences and the Director of Research, Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg.
 - 2. Addition of the following verbiage
 - a. The current incumbent may re-apply for the position.

MOTION: L. Leclair moved that the College Executive Council approve the Endowed Chair in Technology-Assisted Living proposal as amended. K. King seconded **-CARRIED (unanimous)**