Executive Council Meeting

July 26, 2022, 2022   Zoom Session

Attendees-Reg Urbanowski, Deborah Handziuk, Maribel Abrenica, Debra Beach Ducharme, Brian MacNeil, Susan Bowman, Kaitlin King, Dean Kriellaars, Sarah Conci, Sandra Webber, Lisa Engel, Eunice Chen and Maverick Cacho

Regrets- Mark Garrett, Diana Sanchez-Ramirez, Kim Baessler, Puck Mai, Maureen Walker, Leanne Leclair, Juliette Cooper, Fung Cheung

Recorder- Liane Allen

Quorum met

I. Consultation re: Respiratory Therapy proposal components to expand program to 40 seats
   a. A proposal requesting an additional 24 seats per year (40 program seats total) to commence in fall of 2023 in process. The Executive Council is asked to review the following proposal components- resources, finance, and space needs (PowerPoint and Spreadsheet circulated)
   b. Formal council approval is not required, this session is consultation only
   c. This proposal does not address topics such as curriculum design, recruitment strategies, course changes etc...These are items that will be addressed after government approval is obtained and will require their own approval process
   d. Approval process- the proposal will be turned into the Provost’s Office next week. They will then shepherd the proposal to Senate, Board of Governors and then the government. Ideally, the funding will become part of the University budget in January 2023

II. Proposal components overview
   a. Currently accepting 16 students per year, by the year 2025 there will be 40 students in each cohort
   b. FTE increases
      i. Addition of 5.0 tenure track positions
      ii. Addition of 3.5 non- tenure track positions – this can include instructors, sessionals, lab assistants
      iii. Addition of 4.0 admin support which will include clin-ed support and a project manager
   c. Major equipment
      i. Additional 12 ventilators
      ii. Additional 2 HIFLOs
      iii. Additional 7 NIPPV
      iv. Misc. lab equipment (mannequins, blood gas arms, ASL machines etc...) 50K in 2022 and 315K in 2023
   d. Space
      i. Office space- total of 22 offices
      ii. Lab Space- total of 7 rooms
iii. Support services (washrooms, student lounge, and changing area)- total of 3 rooms
iv. All space will remain at the Bannatyne campus
e. Stakeholders
i. Internal- Finance, Space Planning, Registrars’ Office, Provost, VP Academic, Government Relations, all pre-requisite deans and service course deans, President, University Senate and Board of Governors
ii. External- MARRT, RT Leadership, Accreditation Body, Advanced Education, Skills and Immigration
f. Action Plan
i. Summer of 2022- resource acquisition and hire project manager
ii. Faculty recruitment to commence in January 2023
iii. Accreditation and Clinical education in process

III. Open discussion
i. Newly recruited faculty will be able to take their RSL in a timely fashion as they will not all apply at the same time. We have also created enough positions to offset leaves
ii. With this expansion the RT Program will need to almost double the teaching staff to accommodate small cohorts and an expanding research program
iii. FGS has new rules in place regarding ‘grow your own”, instructors cannot advance due to new regulations. Reg, Dean and Kaitlin to meet with FGS to discuss.
iv. Reg has spoken with Erin Stone re: student recruitment. It may take a couple of years to build up a strong application base
v. Deborah Handziuk has had conversations with the Saskatchewan registrar and student recruitment efforts would be welcome in the province
vi. This expansion will help the program expand the scope of their practice which will attract candidates
vii. Canadian Indigenous categories will be expanding. Have also had conversations with the Northern Regional Health Authority about the possibility of reserving seats for northern students
viii. Clinical education models are not addressed in the proposal. The clinical community will be engaged in this discussion and decision

MOTION: D. Kriellaars moved that the College Executive Council endorses the proposal components as circulated for the expansion of the BRT program to 40 seats. D. Handziuk seconded -CARRIED (unanimous)