



RFHS FACULTY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Remotely via ZOOM

MINUTES

Present

Peter Nickerson, Chair	Hope Anderson	Nathan Dueck
Afshin Raouf	Jackie Gruber	Reg Urbanowski
Alexa Okrainec, Guest	Jamie Falk	Robert Schroth
Alexa Pommer	Jayesh Daya	Sandra Webber, Guest
Anu Bajwa, Guest	Jean-Eric Ghia	Sheila Ng
Barbara Rose-Lovett	Jude Uzonna	Sheilagh Boisjoli
Carol Cooke	Karen Jashyn, Guest	Sophia Anastasiadis
Chris Christodoulou	Kristjana Oliver	Trenna Reeve
Chrysi Stavropoulou	Lavern Vercaigne	Valerie Williams
Deb Young	Lorraine Glassford	Versha Banerji
Emmit Hammed	Marcia Anderson	Vladan Protudjer
Gloria Lee	Mark Garrett	Brenda Loewen, Recorder

1. Welcome and quorum established.
Dean Nickerson welcomed everyone, and quorum (24) was achieved.

2. Land Treaty Acknowledgement
Dean Nickerson recognized the Territory Acknowledgement: “The University of Manitoba campuses are located on original lands of Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. We respect the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.”

3. Approval of the Agenda
Reg Urbanowski MOVED, seconded by Jen-Eric Ghia, THAT the agenda be approved as received. CARRIED

4. Approval
Master of Speech-Language Pathology Program (SLP) College of Rehabilitation Sciences
 - Sandra Webber provided an overview of the above noted proposal.
 - Proposal approved by the College of Rehabilitation Sciences Council on Oct 30, 2024.
 - Alexa Okrainec (SLP) instrumental in development of proposal.
 - Health system supports need for additional SLPs, current large waiting list in Manitoba for assessment and treatment of adults and children.

- Slide presentation provided an overview of mission/vision, consultations/support, Indigenous language concentration, prerequisite courses, curriculum map, admissions entry requirements, priority for admission, full time/part-time student status, faculty and staff, and funding request.

Marcia Anderson MOVED, seconded by Mark Nachtigal, THAT the Master of Speech-Language Pathology Program (SLP) in the College of Rehabilitation Sciences be endorsed as presented.

CARRIED

Action: The proposal will be forwarded to Faculty of Graduate Studies' Programs and Guidelines Committee who will shepherd this forward to Senate for final approval.

Council Discussion

- Admissions/Operationalization: For Indigenous applicants with language skills wanting to do the Indigenous language concentration, are applicants required to complete the Indigenous language minor?
 - Indigenous language minor is flexible with level of experience/different languages; method allows students to be assessed to enter the minor in courses appropriate for their level of prior knowledge.
 - Encourage Indigenous students to acquire the minor.
 - Noted language minor is about both speaking the language and understanding the construction.
 - Encouragement received for further consideration/reflection regarding operationalization.
- Further operationalization regarding concentration required (seeing majority of Indigenous patients).
 - Discussion with site supervisors would be required to get a sense regarding who the clients are; likely supervisors at the site level would assess.
- Question regarding finding ample clinical fieldwork preceptors/supervisors.
 - College does not have fieldwork experiential educational facilitators (OT/PT/RT). One of the instructor positions may take on this role as needed, especially to facilitate practicums in rural and remote locations. Noted possibly around 400 SLPs in Winnipeg. Do not foresee any issues.

5. Adjournment

Afshin Raouf MOVED, seconded by Mark Nachtigal, THAT the meeting be adjourned (5:00 p.m.).