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# HIGHLIGHTS

- Successful 2015 joint AFPC / AACP annual conference held.
- Pharmacy educator peer leader network (PEPLN) project completed.
- Canadian experiential education project completed.
- Planning and preparations completed for 2016 AFPC Annual conference (CPERC).

# GOVERNANCE

#### **Board of Directors**

The AFPC Board of Directors met three times in 2015/16 (July 11, November 26, February 9). The 2015/16 Board of Directors members are as follows:

Michael Coughtrie (President)	British Columbia	
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Gilles Leclerc	Montreal	
Carlo Marra	Memorial	
Tannis Jurgens	Dalhousie	

Council of Faculties voting members

The Council of Faculties voting members had two meetings in 2015/16 (July 11, February 4). The 2015/16 Council of Faculties voting members are:

Tannis Jurgens (Chair)	Dalhousie
Ann Thompson (Vice Chair)	Alberta
Carla Dillon	Memorial
Julie Methot	Laval
Gilles Leclerc	Montreal
Jamie Kellar	Toronto
Cynthia Richard	Waterloo

Silvia Alessi-Severini	Manitoba
Ed Krol	Saskatchewan
Marion Pearson	British Columbia

Council of Deans

The Council of Deans met three times in 2015/16 (July 13, November 15, February 25). The Council of Deans members are:

Kishor Wasan (Chair)	Saskatchewan	
Heather Boon (Vice Chair)	Toronto	
Carlo Marra	Memorial	
Susan Mansour	Dalhousie	
Jean Lefebvre	Laval	
Lyne Lalonde	Montreal	
Dave Edwards	Waterloo	
Neal Davies	Manitoba	
James Kehrer	Alberta	
Michael Coughtrie	British Columbia	

# ADMINISTRATION

<u>Statistics</u> – The following are selected AFPC comparative statistics obtained from the AFPC benchmark reports.

Statistics	2013/14	2014/15
<pre># faculty &amp; support staff (excludes external and unpaid)</pre>	701	732
# undergraduate students enrolled in professional degree	5210	5326
programs		
<pre># post graduate students (all categories)</pre>	947	1028
Research and other income (from government sources excludes	\$27.5	\$28.4
operating grant)	million	million

<u>Office</u> – Doreen Sproule and Harold Lopatka provided administrative support for AFPC operations and planning activities. Doreen provides bookkeeping activities and provides administrative support to the Executive Director, committee chairs and project managers. Harold provides leadership and management expertise to AFPC.

<u>Financial</u> – The 2015 preparation of financial statements and financial audit was completed by the auditing firm Wolrige Mahon. In 2015 the AFPC contribution for the Canadian Experiential Education project was funded from AFPC reserves.

# COMMITTEES / PROGRAMS / SERVICES / PROJECTS

#### Awards

Congratulations to our 2016 AFPC Award winners.

AWARD	WINNER	FACULTY /SCHOOL /COLLEGE
New Investigator Research Award	Mark Harrison	British Columbia
Pfizer Research Career Award	Shirley Wu	Toronto
Janssen Award for Innovation in Education	Derek Jorgenson	Saskatchewan
National Award for Excellence in Education	Jean-François Bussières	Montreal
Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada Award for Excellence in Research or Innovation in Assessment of Competence	Anne Marie Whelan	Dalhousie
Canadian Foundation for Pharmacy Graduate Student Award for Pharmacy Practice Research	Robert Pammett	Saskatchewan
Merck Canada Ltd. Postgraduate Pharmacy Fellowship Award	Katherine Koroluk	Toronto
Graduate Student Research Award	Warren Viricel	Montreal
Pharmacy Student Research Poster Award (1	Marilyn Sun	British
per faculty)	Naif Alujhani Pedram Rafiei Divna Calic Nyasha Gondora Chesarahmia Dojo Soeandy Anna Cieślak Marc-André Renaud Mia Losier Waseem Abu-Ashour	Columbia Alberta Saskatchewan Manitoba Waterloo Toronto Laval Montreal Dalhousie Memorial

Twenty six award nominations were received for student and faculty awards. The number of nominations were greater than the previous year. In addition, 10 students were nominated for the pharmacy student research poster award. AFPC received multiple nominations for the CPhA Pharmacist of the Year Award. Nominee submissions were reviewed by peers and one faculty member's name was submitted by AFPC to CPhA. The awards will be presented at the June 1 AFPC Awards banquet.

Thank you to Marion Pearson (Committee Chair), awards nomination reviewers, and members of the AFPC awards committee for their 2015/16 contributions to this important AFPC program. The other members of the awards committee are: Frédéric Calon (Laval), Andrea Cameron (Toronto), Carla Dillon (Memorial), and Praveen Nekkar (Waterloo).

Also, thank you to the following reviewers: Silvia Alessi-Severini (Manitoba), Laleh Alisaraie (Memorial), Ildiko Badea (Saskatchewan), Michael Beazley (Waterloo), Reina Bendayan (Toronto), Suzanne Cadarette (Toronto), Frédéric Calon (Laval), Andrea Cameron (Toronto),

Ken Cor (Alberta), Erin Davis (Memorial), Benôit Drolet (Laval), Beverley Fitzpatrick (Memorial), Urs Hafeli (British Columbia), David Jakeman (Dalhousie), Tannis Jurgens (Dalhousie), Ed Krol (Saskatchewan), Gilles Leclerc (Montreal), Shyh-Dar Li (British Columbia), Sharon Marsh (Alberta), Julie Méthot (Laval), George Pachev (British Columbia), Marion Pearson (UBC), Chantale Simard (Laval), Cheryl Sadowski (Alberta), Jeff Taylor (Saskatchewan), Ellen Wasan (Saskatchewan), and Stephanie Young (Memorial).

### Communications

The main 2015-16 activities of the AFPC communications committee were to review and update the AFPC communications plan, conduct an on-line member's survey about AFPC communications, initiate the new member welcome letter, and review the usage information related to the AFPC website. The members of the AFPC communications committee are: Ann Thompson (Chair – Alberta), Jimi Galvao (British Columbia), Jason Perepelkin (Saskatchewan), Rebecca Law (Memorial), Doreen Sproule, and Harold Lopatka. A special thanks to Rebecca Law for her continuation as the newsletter editor.

#### **Education**

The education committee members are: Jamie Kellar (Chair - Toronto), Pat Gerber (British Columbia), Peter Loewen (British Columbia), Ingrid Price (British Columbia), Robert Renaud (Manitoba), Lavern Vercaigne (Manitoba), Heidi Deal (Dalhousie). J. Kellar participated in planning sessions related to the 2016 CPERC. The review of the AFPC educational outcomes was initiated. A list of potential review questions was developed. An external evaluator was hired to conduct two focus groups of key stakeholders (one participant from each faculty) to collect views about the current AFPC outcomes (e.g., how they are used, strengths, weaknesses, etc.). The results from the focus group sessions will be reviewed by the education committee and the next steps will be identified (e.g., no changes, collect more data, make revisions to current version of educational outcomes).

# <u>Research</u>

The research committee members are: Silvia Alessi-Severini (Chair – Manitoba), Tannis Jurgens (Dalhousie), Gilles Leclerc (Montreal), Marion Pearson (British Columbia), and Frédéric Calon (Laval). The main activity addressed through the committee was to review the value of faculty members having access to IMS Brogan data. Based on the chair's review it was concluded that access to these data was of benefit to faculty members for conducting pan Canadian drug utilization reviews. Access to these data has been negotiated by CPhA as a member benefit.

# 2015 Joint AFPC / AACP Annual Conference

The 2015 conference was an educational and financial success. Approximately 65 AFPC members attended the conference and attendees appeared satisfied with the content and format. Three Canadian special presentations (90 minutes) and more than 40 posters were accepted. The following URL provides a summary of presentation and poster abstracts <a href="http://www.aacp.org/meetingsandevents/AM/2015/Pages/Abstracts.aspx">http://www.aacp.org/meetingsandevents/AM/2015/Pages/Abstracts.aspx</a>. The financial results from the conference were positive with the amount received from AACP as what was initially forecasted.

# 2016 Annual Conference (CPERC)

The 2016 CPERC "Building the future of pharmacy: We are the agents of change" is planned for May 31, June 1-2 in Richmond, BC at the River Rock Hotel and Resort. Most planning activities

are completed. The education program features 7 educational sessions with 19 speakers, 14 concurrent sessions with 29 speakers and more than 60 poster presentations.

The focus is on the changing landscape of both pharmacy practice and education. Peter Zed, the Dean of Practice Innovation at UBC opens the conference. Other sessions focus on Experiential Education, Program Assessment and Evaluation and Pharmacy Informatics. There are roundtable sessions, mini-sessions as well as a joint-session discussing the integration of the pharmaceutical sciences into the PharmD curriculum given by Scott Singleton from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Sandra Jarvis-Selinger, Associate Professor and Associate Dean Academic (UBC) closes the program with a session about curriculum design and Innovation.

Thanks to the local planning committee composed of Charles Park (Chair), Fong Chan, Lynda Eccott, Mark Harrison, Angie Kim-Sing, Tessa Nicholl, George Pachev, Marion Pearson, and Tony Seet. Also thank you to Jimi Galvao, Ivan Yastrebov and Julia Kreger from the UBC PharmSci Marketing team for their assistance.

The URL for the final program brochure is <u>http://afpc.info/content/2016-cperc-full-program</u>. Poster viewing will take place on June 1 and 2. On-line conference registration was set up through the UBC registration system.

#### Canadian experiential education project / PEPC

The Can Ex Ed project was officially completed March 31, 2016. Special thanks to the project manager, Katrina Mulherin, for the great work she did. Also, thanks to the project steering committee members; Kelly Drummond, Harriet Davies, Phil Emberley, Ann Thompson, Jason Howorko, Craig Cox, Ray Joubert, Parveen Mangat, Margot Priddle, and Courtney Secord.

A perpetuation plan was developed to continue activities on the action priorities. Four working groups have been established: i) making the grade work group; ii) teaching and learning models work group; iii) partnership development work group; and iv) recruitment and retention work group.

Nine written reports were prepared as part of the Can Ex Ed project and are posted on the AFPC website. The reports can be accessed through the following URL <a href="http://afpc.info/content/canexed-reports">http://afpc.info/content/canexed-reports</a>.

Dissemination of results from the Canadian experiential education project occurred at the 2016 CSHP Professional practice conference. Further dissemination will occur at the 2016 CPERC session, 2016 Canadian Pharmacists Conference, and through a 2016 CPhA webinar session. In addition, a number of articles based on the project findings are being considered for publication in professional and academic publications.

PEPC met a number of times in 2015-16. The focus of discussions was on the Can Ex Ed project and follow-up. The current chair is Kelly Drummond, and Andrew Tolmie is the incoming chair.

#### Program evaluation / assessment SIG

Ken Cor (Alberta) chairs the program evaluation SIG and Gilles Leclerc (Montreal) chairs the assessment SIG. The program evaluation SIG has developed a national exit survey. The exit survey is being pilot tested in a number of faculties. A regular SIG evaluation / assessment educational webinar is being provided to the SIG members and it is open to other faculty

members. The SIGs have an educational session planned within the main 2016 CPERC program. The SIGs are holding an in-person business meeting at the 2016 CPERC. Members of the SIGs provided expertise to the PEPLN and Canadian experiential education projects.

#### Skills lab SIG

The skills lab SIG was created in early 2016. The Chair of the skills lab SIG is Cynthia Richard (Waterloo) and the Vice Chair is Theresa Charrois (Alberta). The SIG is creating a membership list of faculty members who are teaching skills labs and identifying one voting member from each faculty. The SIG is holding regular telephone meetings and an in-person business meeting at the 2016 CPERC.

#### Pharmacy educator peer leader network (PEPLN) / Informatics SIG

The PEPLN project was officially completed March 31, 2016. Thanks to the project leadership group; Lisa Bishop, Marie Rocchi, Donna Pipa and Valerie Leung. Also, thank you to the peer leaders who participated in the project: Marion Pearson (British Columbia), Teri Charrois (Alberta), Jeff Taylor (Saskatchewan), Terry Damm (Saskatchewan), Casey Sayre (Manitoba), Christopher Louizos (Manitoba), Kelly Grindrod (Waterloo), Marie Rocchi (Toronto), Gilles Leclerc (Montreal), and Lisa Bishop (Memorial). An informatics SIG has been formed to continue with activities related to education about digital and e-health. Lisa Bishop is the chair and Kelly Grindrod the vice chair.

The PEPLN project built upon the work completed in the pharmacists-in-training project by using a peer-to-peer leader network to facilitate the integration of informatics competencies and the e-resource "informatics for pharmacy students" into pharmacy faculty curricula. Eight peer leaders (from 8/10 faculties) participated in the full project. Over one half of the pharmacy students enrolled in faculties used the e-resource. The network, PEPLN, created conditions considered essential to produce a collective impact. Thirty-four local integration projects were conducted in a 1 year period. Integration activities were conducted in seven different types of courses with pharmacy skills labs being the most frequent. The most common learning activity was pre-reading for labs or lectures. A number of non-course integration activities occurred. Twenty integration best practices were identified. Overall results illustrated that version 1 of the e-resource was a useful and valuable tool for integrating important concepts and principles about digital and e-health into pharmacy curricula. Twelve major and ten minor changes to version 1 of the resource were made to improve access / use, navigation / layout, and specific learning / teaching activities. Version 2 of the e-resource is available May 2016. A copy of the evaluation report is posted on the AFPC website (see http://afpc.info/content/pepIn-evaluation-report).

Poster and panel presentations about PEPLN were made at the Canada Health Infoway peer leader symposium. Abstracts were accepted for presentations at 2016 AACP annual conference and the 2016 E Health conferences. The 2016 CPERC session about PEPLN is entitled "Pharmacy Informatics: Reflecting on the project and considering the next steps".

<u>Canadian Pharmacists Association</u> – AFPC continues as an organizational member of CPhA. Over 250 AFPC faculty members qualify to receive member benefits with CPhA. Detailed information about CPhA member benefits is available on the AFPC website. Regular push emails are being sent out to AFPC faculty members who are CPhA members. At the administrative level, regular monthly briefings are held between the AFPC Executive Director and the CPhA CEO and senior CPhA staff. CPhA has provided assistance and expertise to AFPC in developing an AFPC advocacy plan. AFPC participated in discussions with CPhA on the following topics: national advocacy plans and strategies, establishment of pharmacy workforce working group, revised position statement concerning medical marijuana, document on assisted dying framework, and national approach to image collaboration. The following faculty members participated in CPhA work groups: John Hawboldt, Cheryl Sadowski, Christine Hughes, Mike Namaka, and Glenda MacDonald.

<u>AFPC representatives to external organizations / committees</u> - The following individuals represented AFPC: Susan Mansour (CPhA), Carla Dillon (PEBC), Gary Wong (PEBC), Chantal Pharand (CCAPP), Glenda MacDonald (CCCEP), Olavo Fernandes (NPSC education roundtable), Marc Perreault (CPRB), and Harold Lopatka (CPhA work groups, Specialization task group).

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Also, thank you to Canada Health Infoway for their ongoing support for the activities associated with advancing digital and e-health within pharmacy curricula.

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