FACULTY COUNCIL & TOWN HALL

Tuesday, March 1, 2011

“Protecting our history, inventing our future.”
In Memoriam

• Dr. Simon Gold, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology
• Dr. Alison McDonald (Prof. Emerita), Department of Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Occupational Health
• Dr. Peter Macklem (Prof. Emeritus), Department of Medicine
Today’s Agenda

• Latest Faculty News
• Special Award Presentation
• Prof. Anthony C. Masi, Provost
• ASAP, SRI and the Faculty
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• Open Forum
“Trailblazing gene researcher returns to Canada”

- Globe and Mail, Feb. 14
Bill 127

An Act to improve the management of the health and social services network
“129. The board of directors of each institution referred to in sections 119 to 126 is composed of the following persons, who become members of the board as and when they are elected, designated, appointed or co-opted...”

No distinction for affiliates; maximum 15 board members; reduced from 4 to 1 for universities
In the Life Sci Complex

• New test discovered to better predict breast cancer outcomes
  – Gene expression signature identified that can accurately assess which patients are at risk of relapse *(Alain Nepveu, Laurent Sansregret, et al)*

• Pilot project aims to identify combined genomic and metabolic signatures of breast cancer
  – Experiments make the junction between an emerging field of scientific research, cancer metabolism, and cutting-edge technological platforms, genomics and metabolomics *(Julie St-Pierre, Vincent Giguère)*
Promising Work...

• Understanding mechanisms involved in inflammatory bowel disease
  – Investigations into the functional network of innate immunity signaling in intestinal epithelial cells, using genome-wide RNA interference (Maya Saleh, et al)

• Explorations in immunodeficiency
  – Investigations into mutations in immunodeficiency associated with loss of dendritic cells (Complex Traits)

• McGill, GlaxoSmithKline sign agreement
  – Collaboration to develop a potential breakthrough approach to treat cystic fibrosis (Dr. David Thomas, Dr. John Hanrahan)
In the Life Sci Complex

• Recent Awards and Honours
  – 1st laureate of CIHR-Institute Bhagirath Singh Early Career Award in Infection and Immunity:  
    Dr. Martin Schmeing
  – Recipient of Honorary Doctorate from the Institut Camille Jordan in Lyon France:  
    Dr. Mike Mackey
  – Recipient of Barany Society’s Hallpike-Nylen Medal for recognition of outstanding contributions to vestibular science:  
    Dr. Kathleen Cullen
  – Recipient of the Zellers Senior Scientist Award, Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation:  
    Dr. Gergely Lukacs
On the Wards & in the Labs

• RI-MUHC & Lady Davis, Jewish General Hospital: Researchers pinpoint gene responsible for tumour development

• Lady Davis, Jewish General Hospital: Researchers test new antibiotic for *C. difficile*, 45% more effective

• MUHC: 1st patient in Canada receives artificial heart that pumps blood by “squeezing” the aorta
On the Wards & in the Labs

• St. Mary’s Research Centre: born November 2010!

• Montreal Neurological Institute and Hospital: discovery into how tumour cells invade normal tissue

• Douglas Mental Health University Institute hosts National Geographic Television for two days...
John C.S. Breitner: Pfizer Canada Professorship in Prevention of Dementia, Alzheimer’s Disease
In the Schools

• In Nursing, Dr. Carmen Loiselle appointed Christine & Herschel Victor Hope & Cope Chair in Psychosocial Oncology

• McGill extends Physical Therapy programs to Université du Québec à Chicoutimi

• 2 new Communication Sciences & Disorders research initiatives: reading, writing, spelling, literacy for children
Special Presentation... 

Award for Excellence in Service to Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies
Prof. Anthony C. Masi
Provost of McGill University
Phase 1

• Undergraduate education
  – Implementation underway for fall 2012

• Research
  – Proposed evaluation of a Faculty of Health...

• Faculty Lifecycle
  – Recommended changes for non-tenure track promotion (provostial approval pending); full-time status for CAS (non-tenure track), access to benefits; consider 5-year rolling contracts as alternative to tenure
Phase 2

• Postgraduate
  – 5 taskforces: Funding, Learning Enviro, Curriculum, Evaluation, Learning Continuum
  – Interim Report June 15
  – Final Report Nov. 30
  – Concurrently with AFMC’s *Future of Medical Education in Canada*, Postgraduate, project
Administration Excellence

• Mission: Optimize service in support of needs
  – Consolidate strengths, reduce administrivia, integrate admin. system infrastructure, communicate, support strategic design group recommendations

• Project steps
  – Benchmarking (UofMontréal, McMaster, UofAlberta, UofToronto, UofBritish Columbia, UofMinnesota)
  – Consult/dialogue with teams, chairs, directors
  – Process map
  – Identify admin clusters and formula what’s right for us!
  – Pilot test
SRI & the Faculty

Steering Committee
Incl. VP-Dean R. Levin, Vice Dean R. Quirion

Project Mgmt
Incl. VP-Dean Levin, Chair J. Orlowski

Performance Enhancement
Incl. Vice Dean R. Quirion, Phil Barker

Cost Efficiencies

Philanthropy
Incl. VP-Dean R. Levin, Exec Director M. Joanisse

Research, Scholarship, Innovation

Student Enrollment Mix
Incl. Associate Dean E. Davis
FY2012 Budget

• Faculty Contribution

2.5% (or $1.832M) of $84M
+ 1.0% ($900K carried forward)

= 3.5% TOTAL REDUCTION FOR FACULTY
Faculty Financial Control Board

• Chair: Richard I. Levin
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• Secretary to Committee: Nathalie Girard

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CFI Call 7

• Build on past successful CFI from calls 1-5
  – Majority to be funded will be Leading edge (LEFs) (CFI priority), but a few New Initiatives (NIF) will be allowed to go forward

• Can be based on “one” component from an earlier call (i.e. not whole project)

• Must “sell” the scientific excellence

• Information on its way!

• Final submission in May 2011
Faculty of Medicine reaches Campaign McGill goal of $130 million (and exceeds it)

Congratulations to ALL!
THE FLOOR IS OPEN!