# Videoconference

# Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005

## AGENDA

#### CAPSI National Council Videoconference Sponsored by AstraZeneca Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> 1500 hrs EST

- 1. Welcome- (Adam Somers)
- 2. Attendance- (Omolayo Famuyide)
- 3. Acceptance of Old Minutes (CPhA Meetings)- (Adam S.)

#### 4. Local Reports

- 4.1 University of British Columbia (Anthony T./Lisa B.)
- 4.2 University of Alberta (Mike T./Bruce L.)
- 4.3 University of Saskatchewan (Erika P./Jamil R.)
- 4.4 University of Manitoba (Bobby C./Colin L.)
- 4.5 University of Toronto (Jessica A./Alex M.)
- 4.6 Universite de Montreal (Max S./Francis St. J.)
- 4.7 Universite de Laval (Josianne B./Sophie D.)
- 4.8 Dalhousie University (Rachel L./Colleen J.)
- 4.9 Memorial University of Newfoundland (Sheldon B./Fauz M.)

#### 5. Executive Reports

- 5.1 VP Communication (Janelle R.)
- 5.2 VP Education (Jinny C.)
- 5.3 VP Interdisciplinary Affairs (Dominique B.)
- 5.4 Executive Secretary (Omolayo F.)
- 5.5 CAPSIL Editor (Cynthia L.)
- 5.6 IPSF Liaison (Violaine M.)
- 5.7 Finance Officer (Dionne B.)
- 5.8 President-Elect (Matt B.)
- 5.9 President (Adam S.)

#### 6. Old business

-National Event (Adam S./Dominique B.)

(Discussion) There is potential for a National Event to be held in second semester to be an Interdisciplinary Event. We will be discussing if this is an appropriate use of CAPSI's funds and if so, the steps needed to implement this event and an appropriate timeframe.

#### 7. New Business

-Potential Guy Genest Scholarship-Sheldon B.

(Directive) Guy Genest had been an avid supporter of CAPSI and pharmacy students across Canada for many years. An idea has been proposed that CAPSI should assist in the funding a small scholarship to be awarded at every Pharmacy College in Canada in honour of Guy Genest.

# Directive that the Finance Committee look into the feasibility of the sponsorship of a National Guy Genest Scholarship.

-Formation of a Competition Review Committee-Erika P.

(Discussion) Due to mistakes, which were found in the competition cases, it has been suggested the formation of a Competition Review Committee consisting of council members to review competition cases prior to their release. We will discuss the appropriateness and the feasibility of this suggestion.

-Sponsorship of the Student Literary Competition-Adam S./Dionne B. (Discussion) As most of you know, the SLC is no longer currently sponsored by Apotex. CPhA has told us that they do not wish to undertake the sponsorship of this competition either. We would like to suggest that CAPSI National take on the sponsorship of prizes for this competition with the intent of finding a new sponsor next year.

# Motion: BIRT CAPSI National sponsor the Student Literary Challenge for the 2005-2006 academic year.

-Sponsorship of the Award of Professionalism-Adam S./Jinny C.

(Discussion) Unfortunately, the potential for sponsorship for the Award of Professionalism for this year has fallen through; the AFPC will be evaluating the potential for sponsorship next year. With that in mind, we would like to have CAPSI National sponsor the award (value of \$1000) for this year.

# Motion: BIRT CAPSI National sponsor the Award of Professionalism for the Academic year of 2005-2006.

-CSHP Link/Observer status- Adam S

(Discussion) The CSHP Student Rep, Justin Lee has approached CAPSI National with the potential for adoption of the CSHP Student Rep to act as an observer on the CAPSI National Council in order to facilitate communication between the two organizations. I would like to discuss your feelings on this issue including the necessity of the addition of this position to the CAPSI National Council.

#### 8. Additional Items

9. Adjournment- (Adam Somers)

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A. Somers acted as chair and O. Famuyide acted as secretary for the meeting.

#### Item 1 Call to Order

#### A. Somers

Item 2 Attendance

#### O. Famuyide

A. Somers M. Berg	President President-Elect
O. Famuyide	Executive Secretary
R. Rondeau	VP Communications
D. Boivin	Finance Officer
C. Lui	CAPSIL Editor
V. Masson	IPSF Liaison
A. Tung	UBC Senior Representative
L. Bui	UBC Junior Representative
M. Thompson	Alberta Senior Representative
B. Liao	Alberta Junior Representative
E. Pfahl	Saskatchewan Senior Representative
B. Currie	Manitoba Senior Representative
C. Langedock	Manitoba Junior Representative
J. Auyeung	Toronto Senior Representative
A. Marcil	Toronto Junior Representative
J. Bibeau	Laval Senior Representative
R. LeBlanc	Dalhousie Senior Representative
S. Bain	MUN Senior Representative
F. Malik	MUN Junior Representative
Jennifer Goulding	MUN local CAPSI Apprentice
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#### Regrets

C. Lai J. Cheng	Past President VP Education
D. Boivin	VP Interdisciplinary Affairs
H. Adams	Student Exchange Officer
J. Ramji	Saskatchewan Junior Representative
M. Seguin	Montreal Junior Representative
F. St-James	Montreal Junior Representative
S. Di Gaetano	Laval Junior Representative
C. Johnston	Dalhousie Junior Representative

NOTE: The method of approving motions for this meeting was changed at the request of A. Somers. A **motioner** was not requested, therefore no one to second the motion; instead "all those not in favour of the motion say nothing."

Item 3	Acceptance of CPhA Minutes	A. Somers	
BIRT CAPSI accept the minutes from CPhA 2005. Carried			
Item 4	Local Reports		
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<b>4.8 Dalhousie Unive</b> → See appendix	rsity	R. LeBlanc/C. Johnston	
<b>4.9 Memorial Unive</b> → See appendix	rsity of Newfoundland	S. Baines/F. Malik	
Item 5 Execu	tive Reports		
<b>5.1 Vice President C</b> → See appendix	Communications	J. Rondeau	

<ul> <li>5. 2 Vice President Education</li> <li>&gt; See appendix</li> </ul>	J. Cheng
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<ul><li><b>5.7 President-Elect</b></li><li>➢ See appendix</li></ul>	M. Berg
5.8 President	A. Somers

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Please refer to the Mid-year report sent out earlier in October/November, which details some of his other activities since CPhA.

#### Item 6 **Old Business**

#### National Event

Due to the limited amount of time left during the videoconference, A. Somers suggested tabling this agenda item until PDW 2006. Council agreed.

#### Item 7 **New Business**

#### **Guy Genest Scholarship**

Due to the limited amount time left during the videoconference, A. Somers asked S. Baines to table this agenda item until PDW 2006. S. Baines agreed, however, due to the pressing nature of this topic, discussion will be introduced to council via email.

#### Formation of a Competition Review Committee

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#### **Sponsorship of the Student Literary Competition**

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## S. Baines

A. Somers/D. Boivin

#### E. Pfahl

## A. Somers/D.Boivin

- Since the CPhA is not interested in sponsoring the SLC, we will have to seek alternate source of printing the essays. A. Somers suggested printing a supplemental issue in the CAPSIL to display the essay winners.
- > D. Boivin (Finance) says the costs to print the CAPSIL are feasible. It will cost about \$5500 for CAPSI National to cover the costs of the competition (excluding the costs to print in the CAPSIL): \$500 per school; \$1000 for the national winner. Engraved pens will not be presented to local winners this year, since this was an Apotex initiative and it was engraved with their logo.
- > C. Lui inquired about the length and details of the SLC supplemental issue and A. Somers said this would discussed with her at a later date.

#### BIRT CAPSI National sponsor the Student Literary Challenge for the 2005-2006 academic year. Carried

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> J. Cheng was unable to make it to the videoconference so A. Somers presented the case for this.

## BIRT CAPSI National sponsor the Award of Professionalism for the 2005-2006 academic year.

## Carried

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#### Item 8 **Additional Items**

A. Somers asked for any additional items and there were none.

Item 9 Adjournment Carried

#### A. Somers

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#### A. Somers/J. Cheng



#### CAPSI UBC VTC Report: November 2005

#### September

UBC Pharmacy Leadership Retreat

- Leadership from the pharmacy student organizations at UBC attended a two day retreat to set our goals for the upcoming year and talk about how we can work together in achieving those goals
- Organizations in attendance:
  - Pharmacy Undergraduate Society
  - o CAPSI
  - o Kappa Psi
  - o Lambda Kappa Sigma
  - o Community Health Initiative by University Students
  - o Health Sciences Students Association
  - o Yearbook
  - o Pharmagram

#### CAPSI Awareness Week

- Monday CAPSI, CSHP, IPSF, and PDW Presentations
- Tuesday Apotex
- Thursday Novopharm
- Friday CPhA
- 73 new members this year

CPhA Campus Tour and Book Orders

- Pre-orders made things more efficient
  - Many people did not pre-order and the extra copies were sold out fairly soon
- Should have more than one day for picking books up
  - Not everyone was available to pick up books on the one day

#### Midyear Report

Elected First Year Rep and CAPSIL Rep

Presented Jinny Cheng with CAPSI-Tilak Award of Professionalism

Financial Report

Hospital Residency Night

- Representatives from local hospitals and health services offering hospital residency programs came to UBC to show students what a residency would involve
- There were also opportunities to sign up for orientations at various hospital pharmacies
  - This event was organized by the BC Branch of CSHP

#### October

Career Avenues

- Exhibition involving representatives from community, hospital, drug information, and other possible areas of practice for pharmacists
- Speaker: Paul Harris who has worked in community, hospital, and industry
- Attended by 250 students

- We'll try to coordinate the dates with exams and the Canucks Home Opener in subsequent years
- Organized in collaboration with the Alumni Association

OTC Competition

- Held on October 18
- 18 competitors

#### November

CAPSI Jeopardy

- Similar to Pharmafacts at PDW, CAPSI Jeopardy will also have non-pharmacy categories
- This year, we had 4 teams compete for the prize

Patient Interview Competition

- Held on November 1
- 17 competitors
- Compounding Competition
  - 9 teams participated
  - We had to postpone the competition by one week because the materials did not arrive in time
    - More than 9 times signed up but some could not make it to the new date

International Buffet PDW Fundraiser

- Interclub collaboration
- Each club donated 2 or 3 dishes of food
- Sold at \$5 per plate
- We made \$350 to go towards PDW travel

Supervised Injection Site Tour

- Both Supervised Injection Sites in North America are in Vancouver
- 15 fourth year students visited Insite along with 5 community health nursing students
- As it was difficult to schedule a tour date that could accommodate all classes, CHIUS has offered to take up this opportunity and open it up to students in other professions as well

#### **University of Alberta Report**

September 2005

- Membership Drive
  - We provided a presentation on CAPSI and PDW and a month long of relentless promotion of the benefits of joining CAPSI
  - o 100% voluntary new membership (>99% membership overall)
- Apotex Wine and Cheese
  - We had a very high turn out for this event as usual.
- CPhA Presentation and Wine & Cheese
  - The  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  years had a presentation in the morning while the  $3^{rd}$  and  $4^{th}$  years had the Wine & Cheese event in the evening
  - CPhA was very pleased with the turn out
  - The event had a higher than expected turnout; this resulted in very long line-ups in registration and textbook purchasing
  - Since this year is the first time of the web-base pre-ordering, we expect CPhA will be better prepared for next year
- Apotex Backpack presentation
  - The first years really enjoyed event and we had close to 100% turn-out from them
- Meeting with Adrien from Weyth Consumer Health
  - Wyeth Consumer Health is interested in supplying backpacks for students if Apotex decide to pull out the sponsorship
  - We discussed possible future events other than the bi-annually Vitamin/Mineral Seminar to be sponsored by Wyeth

October 2005

- CSHP membership drive
  - Lauren Brown and Cheryl Wiens from CSHP: Alberta chapter presented the session
- Roche Diabetes Seminar
  - This evening event was sponsored by Roche Diagnostics for meter training and also on diet management
  - The event was very well received by students because the information presented was something not taught in school
- Novopharm Binder Presentation/Leadership Seminar
  - David Windross presented to the first year students on the role of generic drug companies and the history of Novopharm
  - In the leadership seminar, the main focus was on strategic planning in pharmacy current events

November 2005

- Compounding Competition
  - We had 18 teams this year. The turnout was a bit lower compared to the past years possibly due to the conflicts in scheduling with the new curriculum
  - The pharmacist judges suggested that the cases were too easy this year because all the calculations were provided; however, the judges and competitors thought this made it more enjoyable than past years

- Symposia Week
  - Teresa Nemo and Heidi Schultz from CAPT: Alberta Chapter came and presented two sessions on Pharmacy Technician: regulation and on the roles of technicians in the community and hospital session
  - The turn-out was better than expected and it sparked some interesting questions on how regulating pharmacy technicians can benefit or disadvantage the pharmacy practice
  - The second session focused on retail and hospital setting. One interesting topic brought up was about having TCT in the community setting.
- OTC Competition
  - We had 14 contestants this year
  - We chose not to videotape the competitions because of the time constraints because we had too many competitors in too short of time span
  - $\circ$   $\,$  The competition ran very smoothly with no major complications
- Patient Interview Competition
  - We only had 6 contestants this year possibly to due scheduling conflicts. We had to have an evening competition, which is a first for UofA.
  - The competitors had a hard time finding drug information on the product this year. Other than that, no major complications
- Student Literary Challenge
  - Deadline for submission is set for Dec  $2^{nd}$
  - Delay in getting the information has lead to in difficulty in recruiting judges and time constraints for marking

#### <u>CAPSI Summary to Date</u> <u>University of Manitoba</u>

#### **CAPSI Awareness Week:**

This year's membership drive was very successful with 100% voluntary membership! The first year class elected an excellent CAPSI rep, Meaghan Craddock, who was instrumental in making this possible.

As well, the Apotex backpack presentation and Novopharm portfolio presentation went well. There were some issues with the new CPhA ordering system and the CPS (some didn't arrive and one arrived as a French copy), but that has straightened itself out now.

#### **Speaker Series**:

This year we have implemented a Speakers Series, trying to highlight an aspect of Pharmacy practice each month. October's speaker was Myriah Lesko from IPSF and November's was a military pharmacist. We hope future speakers will include a Pharmacists Without Borders speaker and Paul Melynk from Pharmasave speaking about the clinical aspects of community pharmacy.

#### Halloween Candygrams:

We have set up an anonymous candy-gram service for Halloween, Christmas, and Valentine's day. This is our main fundraiser besides membership fees, with the Halloween event bring in \$156 dollars.

#### PDW:

So far, we have seen some organizing challenges in coordinating our delegates and having effective meetings. As well, interest seems to have waned for the extra spots after the cost of the flights increased. Overall interest in PDW is very high at our school though, and at last count we had 48 delegates attending.

Our fundraising efforts include a magazine sale, chocolate sale, and scratchbooks from QSP Fundraising. As well, we will be holding a social at the campus bar in January. I have been having some difficulties getting in touch with corporate reps for sponsorship, but I will keep trying and I'm sure they will get in touch soon.

As well, we have begun looking into new possible sponsors. We have solicited local independent pharmacies as well as attempting to find new pharmaceutical company sponsors.

#### Competitions:

The Compounding, OTC and PIC competitions are complete. Each went very well, but interest was somewhat disappointing. I hope that

greater promotion next year will help increase the number of participants. We did class announcements and posters, but more of these for a greater period of time should be tried next year. Now that the sponsorship issues are somewhat clearer, it will be easier to make more advanced plans next year. We are still waiting for the OTC and PIC results from our faculty judges, but should have them by the end of next week.

Lastly, the SLC has been announced and posted. We plan to increase the promotion of this competition next week so increase interest.

That's all for now, but if anyone has any questions please feel free to contact me anytime at <u>bobbycurrie@gmail.com</u> or, with MSN Messenger, at <u>blue\_jean16@hotmail.com</u>.

## **REPORT TO COUNCIL**

For: CAPSI National Council; Video Tele-Conference; November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005

Submitted By:Jessica Auyeung, Senior CAPSI RepresentativeLeslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Toronto

Dear CAPSI Council,

The local CAPSI council here at UT has been very busy this term with our various campus tours and competitions taking place.

Our local activities started in the summer when Alex and I began organizing our annual CAPSI textbook sale (books are purchased at a discount from Login Brothers, and then sold to the students at a discount, with some profit going to us). It is our sole means of raising funds at the local level, with the money not intended for charity. We were able to raise \$4773.72 in the first round, and \$1189.56 in the second round.

During Phrosh week, an info fair was held on September 9<sup>th</sup> for the new first year students (the first pharmacy class to have 241 students!). CAPSI had a booth, and frosh students were able to approach us and find out more about CAPSI. We were also able to distribute the CAPSI agenda to them at the fair.

September 13<sup>th</sup> was our CPhA campus tour. A lunch was held for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year students, and a reception was held in the evening for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> years. Although it was successful, the book order was not a smooth process for us. First, boxes and boxes of textbooks had to be stored before the campus tour. Also, many students did not pick up their books (potentially because they learned from upper year students that they did not necessarily need to own all of the required books listed for class). Leftover books had to be shipped back out to Ottawa after the campus tour was over.

The following week on the 20<sup>th</sup>, the Novopharm Padfolio Presentation was held for the first year students. The week following that was the Apotex Backpack Presentation on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Both campus tours were successful, though you can probably imagine that the logistics of handing out 240 backpacks and padfolios is a little bit daunting. Luckily, Alex and I had a lot of help!

As some of the other schools perhaps, UT has a new position on our Undergrad Pharmacy Council and also our local CAPSI council. This is the IPSF rep role, filled by Cherie Wong. We also, for the first time, have a CAPSIL rep. This is our first year CAPSI rep, Elaine Tam. Both Cherie and Elaine have taken on their roles with much enthusiasm and success. Also the print version of the CAPSIL looked fantastic, and many students picked up copies. November 7<sup>th</sup> was our first official run of the OTC competition. It was extremely successful with 23 competitors. Many found the experience to be great, and mentioned that they were glad that they did it. The winner will come to PDW Montreal to compete, and she is really excited because it is her first time. November 17<sup>th</sup> was our Patient Interview Competition, and we had 24 competitors, and most found that the case was really good. Our fourth year CAPSI rep organized this competition. November 21<sup>st</sup> was our due date for the Student Literary Contest. We had 17 submissions, and Alex and I are in the midst of organizing the judging. The compounding competition was November 24<sup>th</sup>, and our second year CAPSI rep organized it. It was extremely organized and ran fairly smoothly. It was filled up in less than a few hours on the sign up sheet. We had a total of 15 teams (60 participants). The results from the PIC, SLC and compounding are still pending and we are hoping to have the results shortly.

This past week was UT Pharmacy's Charity week. CAPSI is involved in the annual Prof Auction and we were able to raise over \$2000. The earnings are split in half with the class charities, with our share going to the Candlelighters Foundation in Toronto, and also to an IPSF initiative (the Neema Project in past years).

Our third year CAPSI rep has been coordinating the PDW Montreal registrations. UT will be sending 160 delegates, and all of them are very excited. UT student are also extremely excited for the iPharmacist. The local CAPSI council has been busy answering many questions about it! Everyone is looking forward to this initiative.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Auyeung Senior CAPSI Representative Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy University of Toronto

#### Universit<u>é</u> de Montr<u>é</u>al Mid Year Report: Maxime Leduc Seguin Francis St-James

#### 1.0 New students membership:

During the first day of school, we met the new students and told them what Capsi is and what our activities were going to be this year. During the first week, we went back and talked about the PDW, the membership week and different projects we had for the year.

#### 2.0 Inscriptions

We had a total of 127 registrations for the first year students. A few new registrations for  $2^{nd}$  year,  $3^{rd}$  year and  $4^{th}$  year students. All the payments were made in brief time and we completed the list of students.

#### 3.0 CPHA and Novo conference:

The CPhA conference was held on September 13th. The guests were Chantal Roy, François Gauthier (centennial award 2005) and a graduate student from U Laval. We had a major role in the organisation of this conference.

The Apotex conference was held on September 15 and given by Jeffrey Legere. Because his presentation was short, we took time to present every aspect of Capsi and talked about the PDW. The inscriptions for Capsi started on this date.

The Novo conference was given by Danny Leblanc on September 29. Everything went well and we took this opportunity to hand out the Novo binders.

#### 4.0 Contests

4.1 The preparation contest was a success. We had 5 teams participating. Participants all agreed saying that 1 hour was not enough. I think we can predict a participating rate for next year.

4.2 The OTC contest was also much appreciated. We had 7 participants and they liked their experience.

4.3. The PIC contest was held in the same week as the OTC contest. We had a total of 8 participants which is about the same as last year's, in the contest. I had a lot of comments from students and especially from the judges who said that the contest should be more about communication skills.

For the next year, we'll have to find a different way to promote the contests. We could easily double the participation. The prices are not the problem. Maybe start talking about the contests sooner or ask teachers to promote them too. Francis and I have to meet and find solutions for this during the next semester.

#### **5.0 CSHP**

Visal Uon, Quebec member of CSHP, asked me to participate in organizing an activity for the  $2^{nd}$  year students to promote hospital practice. We are currently working on that.

#### 6.0 IPharmacist

The promotion will start at the beginning of December or after Christmas holidays.

Maxime Seguin and Francis St-James

#### 1) Conferences :

#### CPhA : September 12, 2005.

This conference went very well. In fact, we've been spoiled with people interested (more than 180, because we missed seats). I don't know the total number of students who subscribed to CPhA, but Chantale seemed to be encouraged by that conference. I also distributed 205 books (101 Patient Self Care and 104 Therapeutic Choices) to third year students. Taking orders in the first week of class was the better thing to do: the books arrived in time and students were very glad about that.

#### Apotex :

This one went well too, I got an average attendance. But I don't feel it had been as apreciated as it should have been. The speaker was a very kind man, but he seemed unprepared (no slides, no corporative video). He didn't even know he had a full hour. Before the conference, we wanted to make sure everything was right, and we had the confirmation that everything was OK, that the speaker would be there and that he knew what was the object of the conference. But 15 minutes before the conference, I was still unable to find him. He finally arrived in time, but it seemed like nobody told him what was he was supposed to talk about. He knew he was there to meet first year students. That's all. So we had to lead the conference a little.

#### Novopharm :

Attendance equal to Apotex, but the conference was much better prepared. M. Leblanc made a very good job.

#### <u>CSHP</u>

This one had to be reports in january. In fact, it has never been done in Quebec (neither in Montreal). The APES, which is in collabiration with CSHP in Quebec, didn't even know there was acutally a partnership existing between CAPSI and CSHP. Predecessors thought APES and CSHP were 2 differents things, wich is half true. Basically, I had to stick pieces together and inform APES's administrative council in Quebec about the conference. Because of all that confusion, it will occur in january for this year. It will be readjusted next year. Sophie will be in charge of the organisation because she has the better contact with 2<sup>nd</sup> year students.

#### 2) Membership :

119 new members in  $1^{st}$  year, 1 new member in  $2^{nd}$  year, 1 new member in  $3^{rd}$  year and 8 new members in  $4^{th}$  year: 524 members total.

#### 3) Competitions :

Still running them here. In fact, PIC will have place this thursday night. Compouding and OTC had been done last week, with a good participation. However, I'll have a complete feedback for Jinny next week, after PIC. I had 10 teams for compounding and 10 participants for OTC. I have 6 participants for PIC right now, but I'm hopping for more to come in the next days.

SLC won't take place this year.

#### 4) iPharmacist, elections, hand-washing program

I'm planning to make the launch as soon as I get the coupons, on lunch time. At the same time, I'll introduce elections and ratio-pharm handwashing program.

#### 5) PDW

Inscriptions are running well, but we are still wishing for more places. For now we have 191 places.

Josianne Bibeau Sr rep. Laval University

#### Dalhousie University VTC Report Rachel LeBlanc and Colleen Johnston Submitted: November 28, 2005

CAW (September 12-16)

- CPhA Campus Tour:
  - Success at Dalhousie University (finally!)
  - Approximately 35 students were present as well as some faculty
  - Pre-ordering worked, many students pre-ordered books; however, some students never came to pick them up at CPhA Campus Tour
  - Offered students the opportunity to pick up the pre-ordered books after CPhA Campus Tour and none of them ever did, sent books back to CPhA
- CAPSI Information Booth
  - Due to mandatory membership at DAL, we wanted students to understand who CAPSI is, what being a member of CAPSI means and the benefits of having a CAPSI membership
  - Made a poster with information about CAPSI and showed the PowerPoint presentation that the membership committee put together
  - Had a jellybean guessing contest to attract students to our booth!
  - Also, advertised CPhA Campus Tour which was that evening
- CAPSI/Apotex Backpack Presentation
  - Jeff Leger from Apotex came to present the class of 2009 with their CAPSI/Apotex backpacks
- Elected CAPSI Class Representatives:
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> year: Tiffany Nguyen
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> year: Megan Poole
  - o 3<sup>rd</sup> year: Aundrea Holmes
  - 4<sup>th</sup> year: Renee Susin -- also appointed CAPSIL representative

Novopharm Padfolio Presentation (September 23)

- David Windross and JD Johnston from Novopharm came to present the class of 2009 with their CAPSI/Novopharm padfolios
- David also did a short presentation about Novopharm and generic drug companies Career Fair (October 5)
  - Co-organised with our local Dalhousie Student Pharmacy Society
  - Huge success with over 25 companies/health regions participating and most students from the College as well as faculty and alumni attending the evening
  - Three speakers discussed different areas of pharmacy practice: compounding pharmacy, military pharmacy and Pharmacist without Borders
  - CAPSI had a booth showed the PowerPoint presentation and promoted PDW as well as had a raffle for an iPharmacist donated by Apotex

PDW (September 30)

- PDW Information Session showed the video/PowerPoint presentation
- Filled approximately 71 of 82 seats
- E-CPS vs. Text CPS
  - Approached by Pat Underwood to give students the opportunity to choose either text CPS or e-CPS

 Majority of students preferred the text CPS; however, many students had positive comments on being given the choice

**Competitions** 

- Wyeth OTC Competition (October 17)
  - Approximately 17 students participated in the competition
  - o Overall, feedback from students was very positive
  - Criticism of the competition was the lack of OTC products in the room which we will have for next year's competition
- Compounding Competition (October 21)
  - Disappointed in turnout had 4 teams participate this year which is considerably lower than past years
  - Teams that participated had fun, thought the questions and compounds were at the level that a pharmacy student could compete
- PIC (November 24)
  - o 11 students participated in the competition
  - Overall well executed by most some students weren't sure which 'issue' to focus on
- SLC
  - Have been actively promoting the SLC

#### Sheldon Baines MUN CAPSI Sr. 2005/06 VTC Report

It has been a crazy few months here on the Rock, but I'm sure that has been the case at every faculty. The following are the highlights of our year thus far...

#### September:

CAW hype & presentation:

> Lunch. 100% VOLUNTARY membership again this year!

CPhA bookdrive:

Nearly 100% CPhA membership (4 students didn't sign up). Online pre-orders and on-sight distribution went smoothly.

CAPSI Apprentice nomination and vote:

➢ Jennifer Goulding (1<sup>st</sup> year − Class of 2009) joined the CAPSI team to help out with the year's activities and learn the ropes.

Apotex Backpack presentation:

Lunch. Jeff Leger couldn't make it so we fed the students, said some nice words and distributed the backpacks on their behalf.

#### Novopharm Padfolio presentation:

Lunch. Mr. David Windross, Ms. Dianne Bridger & Mr. Paul Crocker came to present the 1<sup>st</sup> year students with their leather padfolios. Mr. Windross gave them a lecture on the current and future face of pharmacy in Canada, as well as a brief presentation on the organisation and history of their company.

#### Leadership seminar with Novopharm:

Mr. David Windross et. al. hosted a dinner and interactive leadership session at the Delta. Attended by council and interested students from the final two classes.

#### October:

<u>RxFair</u>:

Timing coordinated with the general MUN Career Fair and the Career Fair held at Dalhousie. ~30 organizations attended. Very \$ucce\$\$ful!

#### PDW presentation & drive:

A lot of enthusiasm. More than twice the number of interested people than there were seats available. Extensive wait list after the 1<sup>st</sup> AND 2<sup>nd</sup> waves were complete. Anxiously awaiting another allotment. Can't wait for Montreal!!!

#### November:

#### OTC Competition:

Held the evening of Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Good turnout (>20 participants). Successfully deterred grad class from competing (got them to serve as standardized patients!) and got good representation from first and second years. Ms. Trina Critch (2<sup>nd</sup> year without any Therapeutics background) will represent MUN at PDW!

#### APAC Conference:

Weekend of Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. First annual conference between MUN & DAL was held here in St. John's this year and was a resounding success.

#### CAPSI/CSHP Symposium:

Held the evening of Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>. Went over well. More than half of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year class attended, less than half of whom were CSHP members.

#### Rx&D Program:

> Only 1 person expressed serious interest, but no takers as of yet.

#### Student Literary Competition:

Local deadline of Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. Only received 3 submissions. There was more interest but unfortunately more excuses as well.

iPharmacist Program:

Lot of excitement. I expect the majority of students to take advantage of the program this year.

#### Patient Interview Competition:

Evening of Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>. Somewhat disappointing turnout (14). Made a couple of minor adjustments to the case but went well overall. Awaiting results from judges.

#### Compounding Competition:

Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>. Capped the number of teams to 12. Posted signup sheet very early one morning but it was still filled in no time!

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#### **CAPSI Club**

I've gotten two replies so far. Ratiopharm and Pharmasave have renewed their sponsorship with us. Each company renewed their Gold membership and donated \$1750.00.

I'll be phoning and e-mailing the other companies in the next three weeks to see if they are joining or renewing.

#### **Honorary Life Members**

I've sent out letters and agendas to all of our HLMs in October.

#### **CAPSI Handbook of Interview Questions**

I sent Georges Murray an e-mail requesting the use of their publications equipment. He forwarded it on to Jeff Poston and I have not yet received an answer from them.

I have been in contact with David Windross from Novopharm and he has shown interest in sponsoring the initiative. He did say, however, that he does not have the funds in the 2005 budget, but may arrange it for 2006. He would like to know approximately how much this would cost.

I have also been in touch with the President of CSHP-Alberta Branch in regards to expanding on the Hospital aspect of the handbook. She has reviewed the book and will also have some of her council members go through it to make suggestions.

#### Agenda

I will be writing letters to be given out at PDW asking vendors to purchase adds for the Agenda's. I'm hoping to get more information on last year's agenda from Ali.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janelle Rondeau VP Communications CAPSI 2005-2006

#### VICE PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS Videoconference Report, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005 Jinny Cheng

#### **Compounding Competition:**

The complaint made by Dr. Foldvari from U of Sask was dealt with. I've involved her in the development of the compounding competition questions. She was involved with the first 2 drafts of the competition, but was too busy to be involved with the final edition of the competition questions. She was very understanding and I've expressed the fact that we're still open for further suggestions for improving future competitions. The National Case has not been made yet, as we want to get some feedback from the local case.

#### **OTC Competition:**

The OTC guideline, procedure and rules, and the local case have been made this summer. Wyeth has translated all of the documents for us. The National case has not been made yet. I would like to get some feedback from the competitors, judges, and organizers in order to make necessary changes to the National Competition as well as recommendations for next year's competition.

#### **Patient Interview Competition:**

In regards to the USPDIs, Micromedex has agreed to send us 2006 edition of USPDIs for last year and this year's PIC local winners when the 2006 edition comes out.

Apotex only agreed to sponsor the monetary aspect of the competition which includes the travel subsidies as well as cost associated with running the competition. Everything else from making up the questions and translating has become our responsibility. I want to thank Maxime and Francis for translating the documents for me.

CPhA has generously donated the Therapeutic choices, so the local reps don't need to pay for those books that I've arranged to send out to each school.

I've approached different companies for potential sponsorship for this competition in the upcoming years and have not heard back from any of them. I'm going to try approaching them again over Christmas, and I'm hoping that maybe Janelle can help me with this.

#### **Student Literature Challenge:**

Because of Apotex dropping the sponsorship, CAPSI will pay for the competition prizes this year. Which we will be putting forward a motion later today.

Just want to remind the council that I need the winning essay from each school by December 10<sup>th</sup>. You can send me an electronic file if it's easier for you.

#### Award of Professionalism:

Adam and I are still looking for the sponsorship for this award.

#### Ratiopharm Handwashing Program:

Janelle and I both did a trial presentation this summer. The presentation went well, and we've also got a lot of good feedbacks. Every school will be getting enough materials for 5 presentations (with approx. 30 students per presentation). We've agreed on doing the launch of the program at PDW.

#### Symposium:

The first topic will be the role of the pharmacy Technicians. The guideline has already been sent out to each school. We are looking at putting forth a position paper regarding this matter, so hopefully the rep will be able to organize this sometime in the beginning of the term next year.

#### CAPSI Mid year - Report Dominique Boivin, VP Interdisciplinary Affairs

#### <u>NHPN</u>

#### Conference call

Since January, I've been participating to NHPN conferences call. At the first one, there where many new voices, so we had these new people introduce, and we made a brief history of NHPN. The following ones were mainly to organize the summit that was held in June in Toronto. We had to decide where to do it, when, who we wanted to invite, how many people, the schedule of events, and the award ceremony. The theme and the setup for the group discussions also had to be organized.

#### Summit

Last June, NHPN held its first summit in Toronto. There were many purposes to this event. First, we wanted to have the opportunity to discuss in between members, and we also used this event to celebrate the first Tommy Douglas awards for innovative interdisciplinary projects in healthcare within Canada. During the group discussion, we tried to better define our role in the Medicare debate, what we do well, what is missing, what we should do and when. We also talked about NHPN's sustainability, and how we should organize our membership and our governance.

At the end of this summit, a few committees were put forward, so that discussions and actions would keep going within the next months. These committees are Oath of Hygieia, communication, governance and evidences. These are just starting, and all CAPSI members are welcome to participate in one of them.

#### *Evidence committee*

As discussed on my phone call with Adam a couple of weeks ago, I'll be chairing the NHPN evidence committee. I have sent emails to the members of this committee, but I only received about 3 to 4 answers... I'm hoping to start the work ASAP, but people are not very fast on emails, so I don't know how far we will be able to go.

#### Le Devoir

I found a reliable man in Quebec city who is reviewing Le Devoir for NPHN and looking for articles that we would be interested in or that we would like to answer to.

#### Communication group

U of T is starting a group to work on communication between all the InterD groups. Adam talked to me about this on our phone call. I haven't contacted Soan Simpson yet, but I'll do this within the following week to have more details about this and also about CAPSI's involvement with them.

#### EICP and CCMHI

This is another organization about interprofessionalism, which has approach CAPSI in order to have our point of view. I've been through the website of EICP and CCMHI, and I

read their report and recommendations. I think that we can support these organisations and their vision.

#### CAPSIL

I wrote an article about NHPN and the Summit in June for the first edition of CAPSIL, and I'll write another one for the next issue, maybe about the conference between medicine and pharmacy students that will be held at Laval University.

#### Conference between medicine and pharmacy students at Laval University

I've been in touch with the president of our local council, and they are working on an InterD conference, which CAPSI National could be involved in. Maybe that could be our national event??



#### Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns Executive Secretary – Omolayo Famuyide Videoconference Report Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005

#### **Membership Committee**

Membership Drives were a success amongst all of the schools. Thanks to the hard work of the Membereship Committee and some of our local representatives, we were able to compile the first ever CAPSI National Powerpoint presentation. Feedback from the local representatives were extremely positive, as this presentation allowed the Senior and Junior Representatives to have a more formal method of informing members and non members about our organization. CAPSI Awareness Week (CAW) was also a success with the distribution CAPSI agendas, Apotex backpacks and Novopharm portofolios. CPhA Tours were also conducted during CAW, with certain schools experiencing more difficulties than others with the pre-ordering process. This will be readdressed by council at PDW or CPhA to see if this should be continued for latter years. We also conducted the CSHP-CAPSI Symposia Presentations, which took place in each of the respective pharmacy schools to second year students.

Future initiatives of the Membership Committee include:

- building of the CAPSI Membership Database
- printing of official letterhead
- redesign of the CAPSI brochures

A huge thank you to Francis, Maxime, Josianne and Violaine for providing the Membership Committee with translation services.

#### Student Exchange Officer (SEO) By-elections

The first deadline of September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005 failed to turn in any applicants for the SEO position. The second deadine of October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005 is much more optimistic, as we had a couple of applicants. I am pleased to announce the recent election of Hillary Adams from the University of Saskatachewan to the CAPSI National Executive Council.

The delay in the elections process is partly due to the transition time it takes for the Executive Secretary to make VHS copies of the candidates' speeches and mail them to the respective schools. I would like to address this issue at PDW and the possibility of downloading the speeches online for council members to view.

#### **iPharmacist Initiative**

Teresa Pitre has been in contact with Adam and myself with regards to the progress of this program. This initiative is taking longer than expected. The iPharmacist website was lauched on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. I encourage council members to check out the website at www.iPharmacist .ca. The site also incudes a 'Community' section for students to discuss their thoughts about the iPharmacist. The two models that are being offered to students are the iPharmacist Palm T/X (\$925) and the iPharmacist Tungsten E2 (\$825). The coupons (\$475 value) were mailed to my residence and are currently being distributed to each of the schools. An iPharmacist bulletin was put together thanks to the help of Bruce Liao and is to be used by the local reps to promote the program. An email account to address coupon-specific questions was set up by Apotex and all emails sent to this address at capsi@ipharmacist.ca will be directed to my personal account. I have received quite a few emails to date and it appears there is a lot of interest in the iPharmacist program. Specifically, I have been receiving emails from PharmD

students inquiring about the program. I have directed their inquiries to Amanda Young, Marketing Coordinator for Apotex and she and I both are looking into this matter. Adam and myself will be in touch as we receive more details about this program. The only gap left to fill is the renewal fee for students and Teresa is still looing into this. Adam or myself will be in touch as soon as we are provided with more details.

#### Call for nominations

A call for nominations was placed in the October issue of the CAPSIL. Please encourgae your student members to run for Executive positions.

#### **2006 CAPSI National Executive Elections**

All council members intending on running for the 2006-2007 CAPSI Executive Council must notify me in writing before December 31, 2005. I ask local reps to please continue to actively promote these elections.

#### <u>CAPSIL Editor, Cynthia Lui</u> <u>Videoconference Executive Report</u>

#### Local CAPSIL Representatives:

Each local council was responsible for either electing or assigning a local CAPSIL representative. Most CAPSIL reps were chosen by the first week of October and a deadline was set for the first issue for Oct 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005 with some leeway for CAPSIL reps that were selected later in the game. All the schools were able to find a local CAPSIL representative except at the University of Laval where arrangements have been made for the local Senior and Junior to submit articles from their local publication.

The CAPSIL rep position requires that the person be responsible for submitting a minimum of one article from their school –written either by themselves or someone else, provide information about their school for the "Faculty Profile" section and be responsible for the printing and distribution of issues at their school.

An introductory email was sent to each of the CAPSIL reps about the position, about myself, my goals for CAPSIL this year and how they can contribute. I asked them each to answer a short questionnaire about their background and qualifications and what aspects of the profession interest them. I also sent out article ideas that they could volunteer to write about, however, they are always free to write about whatever they choose to.

#### **French Translations:**

All the members of CAPSI National from Quebec were asked to look locally for a student who would be available to translate all articles for CAPSIL's three issues. Although the local reps were working hard, this process took quite a while as there didn't seem to be many people interested in the position. A pharmacy student from the University of Laval stepped up and his agreement to translate the three issues was finalized around Oct 15<sup>th</sup>. He has been very good to work with and has worked hard to translate the first issue (which took him at least 30 hours) within short-notice and even with a recent death in the family. The Finance Committee has agreed to pay him \$300 per issue.

Because my own French is not up to editing standards, Alexandre Ferland, the CAPSIL rep from the University of Montreal, has graciously volunteered to read through and edit the translations.

#### **Prizes:**

\$150 is allocated to give out to CAPSIL contributors to encourage submissions. In previous years, each issue had a \$50 draw for all the contributors of that issue. Due to the introduction of CAPSIL reps, we should no longer have as much trouble getting article submissions. Therefore, to encourage both articles *and* smaller opinioned contributions, I decided to split the money so that each person who submits an article for the WHOLE year would be entered in a draw to win \$75 at the end of the year. In addition, each issue would have a "Submit your Opinions" on a particular subject featured in the issue, for a chance to win \$25. This issue, students were asked to submit their thoughts on one of the four editorials which covered the following subjects: Pharmacy shortage, the rising interesting at pharmacy schools, pharmacy students in medicine and dentistry and taking an active role as a pharmacy professional.

#### Issue No. 1: Fall 2005:

This issue was released on October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005 to all the English schools and on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005 at the French schools –due to extra time required to translate. The 20 paged issue was divided into sections such as: CAPSI National, CAPSI Liaisons, News, Editorials and International Pharmacy. The "Faculty Profile" section gave quick facts about each school and will be continued for the remainder of the year. Photos were included wherever possible to look more appealing. I regret to say that the CAPSIL rep from Memorial, Megan Jackman, was mistakenly not credited for her article about ratiopharm's CFP Report and this will be corrected in the next issue.

#### Issue No. 2: Winter 2006:

The deadline for this issue has been extended to December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005, with the expected release date of January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006. This issue will include updates on competition winners, 10 questions with a recent grad in Hospital Pharmacy, tips about looking for summer employment and employment after graduation and possibly a review of the iPharmacist. The Faculty Profile section will feature the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year curriculums at each of the 9 schools. I encourage everyone on CAPSI National council to submit an article for this issue about local events, events that pertain to your position on council or anything else you may be interested in.

#### Issue No. 3: Spring 2006:

I plan to feature fairly recent graduates who are doing things with their pharmacy degree that are out of the ordinary. The section will be called "Choose Your Own Adventure!" and will be a series of the same interview questions for each person. I ask that you all keep an eye out for pharmacists that are doing great things out of the ordinary and get their contact information or let your local CAPSIL reps know and they can forward the pharmacist the questionnaire. Thanks to everyone for their help!

#### Videoconference Report IPSF Liaison, Violaine Masson Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005

News of the 51st IPSF congress: Coming back from Bonn, Germany, the 51<sup>st</sup> International Pharmaceutical Students Federation conference was held. Please refer to my previous IPSF update sent on September 1st for regarding news from this conference.

Since the conference:

- I have collected contact info about all IPSF local CP. Now, there is a local IPFS rep at each university of except for U of Manitoba.

- The two last IPSF News bulletin were forwarded to each IPSF local CP.

- Upcoming IPSF events:

• www.apps2006.com The 5th Asia Pacific Pharmaceutical Symposium will be held in Bandung, Indonesia from June 4th -10th, 2006.

- The first World Medicine and Pharmacy Students Symposium will be held on November 7th-12th, 2005 in Malta. Please check out www.worldmaps2005.org

- We will have the first Diabetes and Healthy Living Campaign in Canada by IPSF CP on Diabetes Day, November 14th, 2005. Since it's the first year this will be an official campaign for the IPSF, we look forward to seeing how it goes and what improvements to make for next year. Thanks to Elaine Poon, from U of A. She had done a great campaign. Over 160 students were tested for their blood glucose.

-deadline for SEP December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2005 as well.

- There was an IPSF meeting at the U of Toronto. There was a great interest about Student Exchange Program. A similar event will be taking place at each of the respective schools.

-Many local CP have e-mailed me for info on IPSF and SEP.

- Adam and myself are looking into a project to collaborate with PSF Canada = pharmaciens sans frontieres (Pharmacists Without Borders) on a campaign on drug donation. PSF CI (comite international) has a similar collaboration with the EPSA (European Pharmacy Student Association). We did a small version of the EPSA and IPSF collaboration contract adapted to CAPSI. We will discuss it more at PDW.

-I sent some info to Adam for the website.

- I attended a Mini-Congress in Guatemala from October 14th to 17th, 2005. I was invited and I had to pay only for my travel. Representatives from other countries in attendance were from: Salvador, Honduras, Mexico. They are trying to develop an Association, which will not be corrupted and build a membership base for the IPSF. They were interested in how CAPSI works. The conference was all in Spanish, and I think I did ok. I was there to represent CAPSI and IPSF and PARO. I was the only one from North America except Mexico. I won a dance competition at the Friday night party. Two Honorary Life Members of IPSF were there and we tried to promote IPSF and the hosting of the next PARS. They accepted to host the next PARS in September 2006.

- Also, I am on the IPSF moving on II yahoo group. The moving on II project is a research about pharmacy students in the world. The results of the moving on I project were presented at the FIP congress. I will receive questionnaires to send to students soon. I think it is a good think that CAPSI will participate in the moving II project, since the Chairperson on Pharmacy Education was Canadian last year (Lesley Zwicker) and participation from Canada was low.

- I have also e-mailed those the Yahoo group of the 2005 Congress about the SEP in Canada and if anyone was interested in having students come to Canada or to host Canadian students.

#### Finance Officer, Dionne Boivin Mid-Year Report 2005-2006

As of the first teleconference, there are several endeavors that I have undertaken as Finance Officer. The agenda was solicited for a total of \$47,481.25 by our outgoing VP Communications Ali Reyhany in combination with CU Advertising. To date, I still have quite a few invoices outstanding as I have having many difficulties getting in touch with the people that Ali sold the ads to. I will recommend to this year's VP Communications that invoices are sent out as soon as commitments are made by the companies. I am continuing to follow-up with the outstanding accounts and hope to have them all paid off by Christmas. The total costs for the agenda printing totaled \$25644.30, which produces revenue of \$21,836.95 which is slightly below what was budgeted.

In addition, CAPSI has invested \$25,119.34 for a 6-month term at 2.8% interest with Pacific & Western Bank of Canada via Bilyk Financial Services. It was re-invested by Dalyce Zuk, the outgoing Finance Officer. The investment will mature February 6, 2006. Upon maturation, the finance committee will re-evaluate our account and decide if further investment is an option.

On another note, CAPSI had applied to Revenue Canada for a change of fiscal period from July 31 to March 31. This request was approved and will greatly facilitate change-over for our Finance Officer.

To date, I have received membership fees from 4 of the 9 schools. Please send that to me ASAP or contact me if you would like to make special arrangements.

As mentioned in a recent email, due to the hard work of the PDW 2005 committee, the PDW surplus totaled \$31,200.00. This means that Laval will be receiving \$5100.00 for hosting PDW. The remaining \$26,100.00 will be split among the nine schools so that each receives \$2900.00 to put towards sending students to PDW 2006. I will be issuing the cheques in the next week or so as most of the local reps have contacted me with current mailing addresses.

In terms of the budget, we seem to be on track. For interest, costs to send counsel members to the CPhA Conference were budgeted at \$22025.00. However, our costs only totaled \$20 896.62 so this does give us some breathing room. I foresee that we will overspend on the SLC as there is no funding at this time but this should not be a problem. CAPSIL printing will also overshoot the budget by about \$1500 so I am looking at ways to keep us on track. Please make sure that you book the cheapest transportation possible to PDW.

Our current account balance is \$66,332.83 but this includes the \$31,200 that will be distributed to the schools for PDW surplus. I also have a few outstanding bills to pay which I hope to have done in the next week or so.



#### Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns President-Elect – Mattias Berg 2005/06 Mid-Year Progress Report

#### **General Functions**

- Familiarize myself with the function and intricacies of the Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns
- Consulting with the President regularly and assisting in any aspects when needed
- Act within a secondary supportive function in projects and initiatives.
- Participate as an active member of the Executive Council, offering feedback and input on any issues and discussions that arise.

#### **Constitution Review Committee**

Current Initiatives:

- General review of CAPSI Bylaws
- General review of CAPSI Operating manual
- Evaluation of 2004/2005 article adoptions

Planned Initiatives:

- Adoption of article describing requirements/protocol for contractual agreements
- Re-evaluation of Student Exchange Officer description

#### Website Committee

Current Initiatives:

- Launch of new CAPSI National website (www.capsi.ca)
- General review of website contents for errors
- Gathering and implementing aesthetic design recommendations

#### Planned Initiatives:

- Administration of intermittent news and event updates
- Development of online discussion board system for CAPSI use by executive committees
- Development of national and chapter-specific event calendar
- Development of IPSF Student Exchange information page

#### CPhA 94<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference 2006

Current Initiatives:

• Confirmation of specific dates and times of room bookings

Planned Initiatives:

- Organization and preparation of agenda for the turnover meetings at the beginning of presidential term
- Preparation of report for CAPSI Annual General Meeting

#### Videoconference Report President, Adam Somers Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005

#### NHPN

I have been hard at work discussing national wait time strategies with the NHPN as well as discussing further initiatives to promote Medicare over the next year.

#### iPharmacist

I have been in continuous contact with Teresa Pitre of Apotex to finalize of the iPharmacist program. I was assured the program would be out within a week or two.

#### **PDW Update**

I met with the PDW Chair and VP Social (I. Theriault-Dube and I. Joyal). They are both very pleased with how PDW 2006 conference planning was going. They have finalized nearly all sponsorships, booked the hotel meeting rooms as necessary and have confirmed with all the social locations. With the ability to take 1000 students this will be an exciting event!