

# **Videoconference**

**Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>,  
2006**

## **Agenda- CAPSI Video Teleconference-March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006**

- 1. Welcome/Attendance-Adam Somers**
- 2. Acceptance of last meeting's minutes- Omolayo Famuyide**
- 3. Local Council Reports**
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- 11. Changeover Reports- Omolayo Famuyide**
- 12. Say Goodbye to Outgoing Council/Welcome Incoming Council- Adam Somers**

### **iPharmacist Update-Adam Somers**

After much discussion with Apotex, we have discovered you will not lose your programs if you do not hot sync your palm after the deadline, you simply get reminders that the programs are out of date. As of March 28<sup>th</sup>, Apotex has yet to decide which year (if any) the program will be offered to in subsequent years. And we have been informed that we will not have an answer before the deadline. We will continue to work to improve this program so that it offers the best deal to our members. An extensive review of the program will be conducted at CPhA before continuing further with this initiative.

### **APhA-ASP Conference Report-Adam Somers**

Mattias and I had the opportunity to attend the American Pharmacy Association Annual Conference held in San Francisco, California. We both found the visit to be very beneficial. Attached please find our report. We feel there are numerous possible opportunities CAPSI can have with our American counterparts and hope to look into these initiatives. We would like to discuss what potential opportunities council sees, on the duration of our time at the APhA-ASP Conference.

### **Non-Pharmacy Related Sources of Sponsorship-Bobby Currie**

At PDW, the thought of having non-pharmacy related sources of sponsorship was brought up, but never really discussed. We would like to determine council's feelings on this and whether or not this is an avenue we would like to pursue and if so, what are the likely companies for us to approach.

### **Pharmacy Human Resources Study-Omolayo Famuyide**

The Pharmacy Human Resources Study is a study being conducted by CPhA. The purpose of the Study is to gather information on the pharmacy workforce and the challenges it faces, while gathering consensus around options that may help to better prepare the pharmacy workforce for the future. The Study is being conducted over a period of 30 months (October 2005 to March 2008) and 12 separate studies will take place over this time. CPhA will be managing the study, along with over 20 partner organizations such as CAPSI, Canadian Medical Association, CSHP, Canadian Nurses Association, Ontario College of Pharmacists and individual representatives from community and hospital practice. All be provided with representation on the National Advisory Committee.

I will be attending the first inaugural meeting of the Committee in Ottawa from April 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. I have been in contact with the Project Manager of the Study and the purpose of the first meeting is to orient members of the committee to the goals and objects of the Study. I will provide council with a much more detailed report at CPhA reporting my findings from the meeting and what CAPSI's role(s) will be within the Study.

### **Guy Genest Scholarship-Sheldon Baines**

We would like to further discuss the ramifications and potential qualifications for this scholarship with the hopes of finalizing it by the CPhA conference.

### **NHPN Congress/2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tommy Douglas Celebration of Medicare Awards in June-Adam Somers**

The NHPN has decided to hold another congress, similar to the one held last year in Toronto, and they will also be giving out the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Medicare awards. Adam Somers is Chair of the Awards Committee. We need to decide who to send to this congress (normally travel is funded by the NHPN) The congress will be held in Ottawa on June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Changeover Reports-Omolayo Famuyide**

As discussed at PDW, all members of the Executive will be required to prepare and submit a changeover portfolio to incoming members of the Executive prior to their attendance at CPhA. As well, reports may be prepared for members of the incoming council to report at CPhA if needed.



G. Pauch	Manitoba Junior Representative
S. Di Gaetano	Laval Junior Representative
R. LeBlanc	Dalhousie Senior Representative
C. Johnston	Dalhousie Junior Representative

### **Item 3            Local Reports**

#### **3.1        University of British Columbia**

**L. Bui/F. Huang**

- See appendix
- Mattias Berg was the recent recipient of the CAPSI/Tilak Award of Professionalism at UBC. This award recognizes an individual who demonstrates a high degree of professionalism in pharmacy.
- On April 12<sup>th</sup>, the PDW 2007 presentation will be taking place in order to promote the conference to students.

#### **3.2        University of Alberta**

**M. Thompson/B. Liao**

- See appendix
- B. Liao stated Alberta did not have enough time to conduct the second symposia on Plan B. As well, the first and second year students finished class on March 31<sup>st</sup>, another reason why the second symposia was not conducted.

#### **3.3.      University of Saskatchewan**

**J. Ramji**

- See appendix

#### **3. 4      University of Manitoba**

**B. Currie**

- See appendix
- Overall the local Manitoba CAPSI council had a successful year. There were events that did not materialize, but these ideas will hopefully be implemented in the upcoming year.
- B. Currie suggested the creation of a national case bank for mock OSCEs. She found it difficult to gather cases when it came to the planning of the mock OSCEs.
- The Handwashing Program has been successful and local is currently out of material.

#### **3.5      University of Toronto**

**J. Auyeung/A. Marcil**

- See appendix
- The Plan B symposium is planned to take place during the last week of classes (April).

#### **3.6      University de Montreal**

**M. Seguin/F. St-James**

- See appendix
- The Handwashing Program will commence early next week.
- The local CAPSI council joined with the student association to conduct the symposia on emergency contraception.

- Elections for the CAPSI Junior Rep will be taking place shortly. The results should be available in about two weeks.

### **3.7 University de Laval**

**J. Bibeau**

- See appendix
- J. Bibeau stated feedback from PDW has been extremely positive
- The Handwashing Program has gone really well. J. Bibeau suggests CAPSI try to push for more materials from ratiopharm.

### **3.8 Dalhousie University**

**A. Somers**

- See appendix

### **3.9 Memorial University of Newfoundland**

- See appendix
- S. Baines agrees a national bank of mock OSCEs questions would be very beneficial for the future for mock OSCEs.
- The emergency contraception symposia took place yesterday and the technicians symposia was not held because a similar type of event took place at the APAC conference.

## **Item 4 Executive Reports**

### **4.1 President**

**A. Somers**

- See appendix

### **4.2 President-Elect**

**M. Berg**

- See appendix
- M. Berg is looking into the feasibility of awarding a \$50 prize as an incentive for the best post(s) on the CAPSI website.
- The CPhA Conference will be taking place from June 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> in Edmonton, Alberta. Council members are asked to arrive in Edmonton on June 1<sup>st</sup> and depart on Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Please submit agenda items to M. Berg with a motion and a paragraph must accompany each item.

### **4.3 VP Education**

**J. Cheng**

- See appendix

### **4.4 VP Communications**

**J. Rondeau**

- See appendix

### **4.5 CAPSIL Editor**

**C. Lui**

- See appendix

### **4.6 Executive Secretary**

**O. Famuyide**

- See appendix

- 4.7 VP Interdisciplinary Affairs** **D. Boivin**  
 ➤ See appendix
- 4.8 IPSF Liaison** **V. Masson**  
 ➤ See appendix
- 4.9 Student Exchange Officer** **H. Adams**  
 ➤ See appendix  
 ➤ O. Famuyide inquired about the possible assistance offered by CPhA during the Joint Officer's Meeting. H. Adams said she has approached CPhA regarding the promotion of the Student Exchange Program in their newsletter and the timing was not right this year, but this possibility will be further explored next year.

- Item 5 iPharmacist** **A. Somers**  
 ➤ A. Somers notes that students have been selling iPharmacist coupons to pharmacists. A reminder to local representatives to encourage students the coupons are for use by CAPSI Student Members only.  
 ➤ Regarding the trial period for the use of iPharmacist software, this period begins at the time of shipment; not when the iPharmacist is first logged into.  
 ➤ Complaints of students having their iPharmacists delivered and left outside their homes will be addressed and brought up with Apotex.

- Item 6 APhA-ASP Conference Report** **A. Somers**  
 ➤ The American Pharmacists Association- Academy of Student Pharmacists was an overall success and a great learning experience. A. Somers and M. Berg discussed there is a lot that can be gained from our American colleagues and several fundraising ideas and initiatives will be discussed further to see where CAPSI can participate and bring new programs to its members (**See Appendix**).  
 ➤ A. Somers described the House of Delegates (similar to the CAPSI Annual General Meeting) and the APhA-ASP has having very high attendance. Attendance at the House of Delegates is mandatory for The APhA-ASP has mandatory attendance at their House of Delegates. Delegates must attend the House of Delegates in order to receive reimbursement for the conference (usually fees up to \$100).  
 ➤ The funds distributed to students are used to encourage and promote attendance at the House of Delegates.  
 ➤ A. Somers and M. Berg would like to look into the possibility and feasibility of this method for increasing attendance at the AGM. This would be pursued with the PDW surplus, which is distributed to local schools to assist students in attending PDW.  
 ➤ A. Somers and M. Berg also met with the APhA-ASP National Executive Council. The ASP is the student chapter of the APhA and all APhA correspondence must be approved by the APhA before the ASP can carry on with any initiatives.

- Their Executive Council is much smaller than CAPSI's with only four members making up the National Executive Council.

**Item 7                      Non-Pharmacy Related Sources of Sponsorship                      B. Currie**

- B. Currie would like to bring up how local representatives should be soliciting non-pharmacy related sources of sponsorship.
- The feasibility of this will be looked into further at CPhA
- With recent cut backs in sponsorship from pharmaceutical companies, there are many benefits to seeking non-pharmacy related sources of sponsorship.
- This topic will undergo further discussion at CPhA.

**Item 8                      Pharmacy Human Resources Study                      O. Famuyide**

- O. Famuyide will be representing CAPSI National on the National Advisory Committee for the Pharmacy Human Resources Study (PHR Study).
- The PHR Study is a study being conducted by the CPhA to gather information on the challenges and barriers the pharmacy workforce currently faces.
- The first inaugural meeting will be taking place in Ottawa, ON from April 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>.
- It is important and O. Famuyide is pleased to see the Study and CPhA is welcoming the input and thoughts of students within the Study. A separate study will be conducted, which will involve focus groups with pharmacy students and pharmacy technicians to determine what sort of barriers currently exist in the workforce.
- O. Famuyide is currently experiencing some troubles with the Faculty and her attendance at the meeting cannot be guaranteed at this point in time. If she is unable to attend, A. Somers will attend the meeting in her place and a report will be made to council at CPhA.
- See Executive Secretary Report

**Item 9                      Guy Genest Scholarship                      S. Baines**

- S. Baines wanted to remind everyone to continue to work on the points required to complete the Guy Genest Scholarship. This is an initiative of the current council, he would like to gather their thoughts and opinions before further before changeover.
- It is imperative that CAPSI National continues to get the point across to Wyeth Consumer Health that this is an important initiative hopefully sponsorship will continue for more than the three years the company has committed to at this point in time.
- The initial proposal has been put out to UBC to see whether they would be interested in participating in the award. UBC currently has an award similar to the Guy Genest Scholarship called the CASPI/Talik Award of Professionalism and also has another award with criteria similar to the Guy Genest Scholarship.
- L. Bui states the scholarship is feasible, but at this point in time it is not practical for UBC to participate in the Guy Genest Scholarship seeing that they currently have two awards similar to this nature at the faculty.



- A thread has been started on the CAPSI forum and with only a few respondents, S. Baines would like to continue to gather perspectives and thoughts from members of the Executive and local representatives.
- The details of the scholarship will be further discussed at CPhA.

**Item 10            NHPN Congress / 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tommy Douglas            A. Somers**  
**Celebration of Medicare Awards**

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tommy Douglas Celebration of Medicare Awards and the NHPN Summit will be taking place in Ottawa, ON from June 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 2006.
- Congress in an inter-professional opportunity to allow CAPSI to meet other NHPN representatives and learn more about how these various health disciplines can continue to work together.
- CAPSI National is allowed to send up to eight individuals to represent CAPSI at the Summit.
- Last year CAPSI sent the three Presidents, VP Interdisciplinary Affairs, Finance Officer and two students-at-large from the University of Toronto due to the close proximity to the Congress.
- Travel will be funded by the NHPN.
- A. Somers inquired as to who would be best to represent CAPSI National at Congress along with the three Presidents. M. Berg suggested VP Interdisciplinary Affairs, S. Baines. O. Famuyide suggested rather than send the Finance Officer, possibly sending the VP Education would be a better recommendation.

**Item 11            Adjournment            A. Somers**  
**Motion to ajourn.**  
**B. Liao/J. Ramji**  
**Carried**

# Appendix

# **LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS**

## **University of British Columbia**

### **UBC Local Election**

- We had our election late in January when we got back from PDW. We had some difficulty getting a council together. We've had 2 different sets of by-elections and now going to go into our third one, as one of the current members has to resign due to unforeseen circumstances. The new Senior is Lisa Bui and the new Junior is Fiona Huang

### **Symposium-The role of Pharmacy Technician**

- We had the Symposium on the 24<sup>th</sup> of January from 5-6:30pm. We invited Sue Aro, the coordinator of the Vancouver Pharmacy Technician program to be our guest facilitator. The Symposium was held in a small classroom and 15 students showed up. We were hoping for a larger turn out but the number is consistent with the attendance of previous Symposia. We gave the speaker the freedom to dictate the format of the symposium as long as she addressed some of the issues that we gave to her ahead of time
- It was an intimate setting so the students were able to ask a lot of questions and were surprised at some the information they were given especially about Ontario's movement towards having a technician that does everything except for counselling.

### **Symposium-ECP The Controversy**

- We just finished our second symposium for the school year on Wednesday March 15, 2006.
- We tried a new format this time around by inviting two speakers and having a moderator because of the sensitivity of the subject matter.
- We had Dr. Melanie Rantucci, Vice President of CPhA, and Dr. Judith Soon, a professor and researcher at our Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- We allowed each speaker 20 minutes to present her information on the topic followed by an open question period, which was moderated by our CAPSI Faculty Advisor Dr. Kishor Wasan.
- Dr. Rantucci was able to bring forward the importance of ECP and the need for pharmacists in this matter. She also clarified and addressed the recent media attention regarding the article in the CMAJ as well as informed us about what CPhA is currently doing as well as the plans they have for the future.
- Dr. Judith Soon, who published a research paper on the usage of ECP, which as also published in the CMAJ, provided us with information on the effect of ECP being a Schedule IV in BC, as well as what is going to happen in the future when Plan B may eventually become Schedule II in BC.
- The comments and feedbacks from the students as well as the speakers have been very positive.

## **University of Alberta**

### **January**

Tony Nickonchuk (Our Public Affairs Director) has started a pilot project along with City of Edmonton to recycle stock bottles. The pilot project has started in 10-15 pharmacies in Edmonton and if successful, it will be rolling out citywide in the future.

Gillian Richardson and Kimberly Gibson from 3<sup>rd</sup> year pharmacy started a Skin Cancer Awareness program to be presented to elementary and high school students. It has been really successful and the program has been continued till the present

### **February**

APSA/CAPSI Drug Fair – This year’s drug fair has been held on February 6<sup>th</sup>. We had 17 booths and about 250 students participated in the drug fair. All students and drug representatives really enjoyed the event because both groups got to learn about each other.

### **March**

March 4<sup>th</sup> – Blue & Gold Ball – We had our Annual Ball and many Awards have been presented during this event. This included our CPhA Centennial Winner – Adriana Chubaty!

March 8<sup>th</sup> – Colinda Hunter from Nestle presented a session on infant nutrition. 60 students attended this event during the lunch-time hour. The presentation was recently accredited and it was extremely informative in choosing an infant formula.

March 15<sup>th</sup> – Brian Beckstead from AADAC (Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission) did a lunchtime presentation on Opiate Dependency Program. About 80 students attended the event. The detail of the ODP is not offered in the current curriculum; therefore students gained appreciation why the involvement with community pharmacies is crucial.

March 15<sup>th</sup> - Value Drug Mart Seminar – Jody Shkrobot from Value Drug presented a session called “a Complete Idiot’s Guide to Clinical Pharmacy Services,” which entails how to initiate and plan clinical services in the community pharmacy. This presentation, included dinner, was attended by 122 students and it was very well received.

Shoppers Drug Mart Speakers Series – Erica Skopac (our Finance Officer) and myself (Bruce) had a meeting with Liz Landon and Bill Bright from SDM last November to discuss how to use the sponsorship they provided this school year. We came up the idea of having a series of presentation with topics that are not taught in the curriculum. We started this series in March.

The first topic, held at the Coast Edmonton Plaza on March 8<sup>th</sup>, was about the pandemic of the bird flu presented by Dr. Fonesca, a virologist, from University of Calgary. 75 students attended the event. The 2<sup>nd</sup> topic, held at the university on March 20<sup>th</sup>, was about Drug Abuse presented by Dr. Hunter and Dr. Davies from the University of Alberta. 85

students attended the event. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> topic, which will be held on March 29<sup>th</sup>, is on ER Pharmacy, to be presented by Steve Freriks, an ER pharmacist from Red Deer.

#### Pharmacist Awareness Week

- 2<sup>nd</sup> year students have set-up stations around campus to assess cardiovascular risks for students around campus. This project was very well received by students who participated
- Operation Wash-up – Presented 2 presentations during PAW to grades 1-3 the students really enjoyed the videos and the program was very well received.
- In addition to Operation Wash-up, Our Community Education group also presented sessions on Role of the pharmacist, Do bugs need drugs, Skin Cancer Awareness and Smoking Cessation and in and around schools in Edmonton.

### University of Saskatchewan

#### PDW Jan 18-22

- 58 students from the U of S attended the conference
- Fundraising efforts were very successful totaling 14768.51, with most students receiving \$269.39
- Hotel and accommodations were fantastic and students were moved very efficiently from location to location

#### White Coat Ceremony

- This was the first annual white coat ceremony to be held by the U of S
- Sponsored by Wyeth Consumer Health
- Many respected pharmacy representatives were in attendance for the event, some which were invited to be white coat “drapers”
- Attendance to the event was restricted to the first year class, faculty, and special guests.
- Event was well attended by the first year class, and the organization and facilitation of the event was well done.

#### CAPSI OTC Competition for 2<sup>nd</sup> year students

- This was a local event designed by Erika for the second year students to practice for their first OSCE
- The Competition was peer evaluated by third year students
- We saw that there was a need to replace the OTC competition that was usually run during the spring at the U of S, our 2<sup>nd</sup> yrs could not compete in the National OTC Competition because they do not cover OTC's until term 2.
- Competition was very well received, students were eager to participate and really appreciated the chance to practice
- Top 4 students were awarded Tim Horton's Gift Certificates and pharmacy texts

### **PAW March 6-10/06**

- Articles outlining PAW and the activities going on within the college were issued to the Sheaf and to the Star Phoenix
- We had a display table in the middle of a busy hallway all week long
- The table showcased the role of the pharmacists, the pre-pharmacy club, pharmacy trivia, Operation WASH-UP. The table was hosted by students from the college wearing white coats. Students were handed information on the pre-pharmacy club, and vials containing Smarties promising to increase their IQ.
- During PAW the Regional Board of Saskatchewan Pharmacists sponsored a lunch for students interested in joining the college.
- Coloring contest for pharmacy students
- Operation WASH-UP kicked off during this week with 4 presentations at local elementary schools. Jamil contacted Global news in Saskatoon and they visited one of the presentations and aired it the following week.
- The week was wrapped up with the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual CAPSI Jeopardy Competition for our first year students. Event was very well attended and everyone had a lot of fun.

### **Mike Sullivan Financial Presentation March 28/06**

- Mike Sullivan is a BSP graduate of the U of S, he has also attained his MBA and is the founder of Cubic Health Inc.
- This event is sponsored by Wyeth Consumer Health
- It will be hosted on campus at 6pm with appetizers supplied
- Attendance was capped at 150 people

### **CAPSI CURL April 1/06**

- This is the first annual CAPSI Curl for the U of S, this year it will be hosted in conjunction with the Nutrition students as a grad fundraiser for them
- The cost of the rink is being covered by the student council, with CAPSI waiving the registration fee for its members (\$5) a meal will be supplied for the members at a price of \$7. All non-CAPSI members will pay \$12.
- The event is cosponsored by Shoppers Drug Mart and Wyeth Consumer Health
- Shopper's Drug Mart is providing the prizes for the top teams, while Wyeth has given us a "Centrum CUP" to be awarded as a grand prize to the top team.
- Centrum vitamins supplied for all those participating in the event.
- The U of M pharmacy students will be visiting the U of S Pharmacy college during this weekend and will also have the opportunity to participate.

### **PDW 2007, Winnipeg, MB**

- Interest for the next PDW is stirring and we are hosting an information meeting on Friday March 24/06

### **Local CAPSI Elections**

- We are excited to announce that Kristjana Kotyk as the new CAPSI Jr. and Jamil Ramji as the new CAPSI Sr. for the 2006-2007 year

- Our council is currently looking to find a CAPSIL rep, as well as an IPSF local rep.

## **University of Manitoba**

### **Mock-OSCEs**

The CAPSI Senior organizes a mock-OSCE event every year for the fourth years, using the third years as patients. I solicited 11 cases for this event and divided each class into 4 groups which completed OSCE scenario circuits.

I hope to standardize the format of the cases I have to begin building a scenario bank for future use. I understand several other schools organize this event for their students as well, and a coordinated effort to build such a pool of high quality scenarios might make the planning of the mock-OSCEs easier each year.

Our mOSCE this year went very well, with positive feedback from both third and fourth year classes. The fourth years obviously appreciated the opportunity to practice their skills before the true OSCE, but the third years were equally pleased with the chance to see the many ways the fourth year students approached the cases.

The U of MB has implemented a mock-OSCE as part of the third year curriculum, but our CAPSI council plans to continue offering the event as yet another opportunity to practice valuable communication and critical-thinking skills.

### **Pharmacists Awareness Week**

Our Pharmacy Awareness Week consisted primarily of a booth set up in a high-traffic area of the university, including one day at the Faculty of Nursing, several Handwashing Presentations and our symposium on “Privacy in Health Care.” Further exposure to an interdisciplinary setting was pursued but unfortunately could not be arranged for this year’s event. Several contacts were made though that will make planning an interdisciplinary event – such as setting up our booth in the Faculties of Medicine and others or a more interactive event – much smoother in the future.

The symposium was arranged as a panel discussion with the Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association’s Registrar (Ron Guse), an active community pharmacist (Mark Pasetka), and a well-spoken student (Omolayo Famuyide). Glen presented questions I wrote to the panel and invited discussion from the audience as well. (If anyone would like to see the questions we used, let me know.) The turn-out was pretty consistent with our previous ‘speaker-series’ events but was a little disappointing. In the future, more effective advertising and more general ‘buzz’ about such events will hopefully improve attendance.

As well, I was contacted by the Manitoba Society of Pharmacists to perhaps work on a joint event for PAW. This contact came less than a week before PAW, which limited our ability to work together. This did open up several avenues that can be pursued next year though, such as:

- a fundraiser in support of a pharmacy-related charity (PSF?)
- joint clinic or other event with a community pharmacy

Other plans for next year might include, a Pharmacy sponsored blood-drive and a week-long contest or challenge.

### **30 Hour Famine**

The Famine has become another CAPSI-sponsored tradition at the U of MB. As we did last year, the faculty allowed students to spend the night in the building. Games and events were organized and a light meal was provided the next morning to break the fast. We had 6 participants stay the night this year, similar to last year's numbers, but more students took the Famine package to raise money and participated on their own time.

### **Handwashing Program**

A student in first year, Natalie Bisson, has assembled a team of first year students that have become really enthusiastic about the program. So far, they have organized multiple presentations at three different schools and have several more presentations planned for after the elementary school spring break. Another team of second years has also been organized and are looking into a convenient time to make their first presentation.

### **Elections**

We are just completing our Class Rep Elections and elections for the positions of CAPSIL Rep and IPSF Rep. We have decided to expand out local CAPSI council and include these positions. The focused attention that an individual rep can give to these positions will help to expand the profile of both CAPSIL and IPSF at the U of MB and their work will have the support and resources of the whole CAPSI Council. I look forward to working with the new format of our Council over the summer and next year.

The election results are:

FIRST YEAR REP: TBA

SECOND YEAR REP: Amanda Morrow

THIRD YEAR REP: Meagan Klowak

FOURTH YEAR REP: TBA

IPSF REP: Ashley Lam

CAPSIL REP: Robin Oliver

## **University of Toronto**

Dear CAPSI Council,

Since PDW, the local CAPSI council has been involved in a number of things!

First, PDW Montreal was considered by UT students to have been an amazing and excellent conference. As an added bonus, with the money given by National CAPSI Council and the Undergraduate Pharmacy Society at UT, a \$60 subsidy was made available to each UT student that attended PDW.

Alex Marcil organized our symposium on the role of the technician in pharmacy. It was held on the 16<sup>th</sup>, and there were three speakers, Chris Schillmore from the Ontario College of Pharmacists, a Pharmacy Manager, Reg Liu, and a registered Pharmacy



Technician, Manuja. A lot of very interesting discussion was generated between the students and speakers.

Ratiopharm handwashing presentations went very well. We have had 2 presentations so far, with very positive feedback. An article was written about it for the UT student paper, the Varsity (yet to be published, and written by third year pharmacy student Mayce Al-Sukhni).

The local CAPSI council here at the University of Toronto was recently very busy with our annual CAPSI charity week, which was held March 13<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup>. In previous years, 100% of the proceeds were split between the Neema Project and the Candlelighters Foundation (a charity in Toronto for children with cancer). This year the money raised will be given to PSF. We had an iPod shuffle raffle all through out the week, and a bake sale. Wyeth generously donated the iPod shuffle. Also included in the funds raised were the proceeds from a prof auction held last term. We were able to raise just about \$1400!

Our local IPSF rep, Cherie Wong, has also been very busy. She has arranged for speakers from PSF to come and speak to our students on March 27<sup>th</sup> because of the large amount of interest expressed by our students. Cherie has done an excellent job in her role at UT, especially since it is the first time we have had a formal IPSF rep sitting on both the local CAPSI council and the Undergraduate Pharmacy Society at UT.

Respectfully Submitted,

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

## **Universite de Montreal**

### **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 Incriptions**

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

### **3.0 CPhA and Novopharm 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 organization of this conference.

The Apotex conference was held on September 15 and given by Jeffrey Léger. 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 Novopharm conference was given by Danny Leblanc on September 29. Everything went well and we took this opportunity to hand out the 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 was similar to last year's contest. We had a lot of comments from students and especially from the judges who felt that the contest should have a bigger emphasis on 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<sup>nd</sup> year students to promote hospital practice. We are currently working on that.

5.1 The conference was held on January 10 at 5 PM. Because there has been a teacher strike in November and December, some exams were reported during the first and second week of school in January. For this reason, we only had about 25 students attending the presentation. They appreciated the subject and the overall event. In the years to come, maybe consider giving this conference to 3<sup>rd</sup> year students and to all concerned about hospital practice.

#### **6.0 iPharmacist**

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

6.1 The announcement was made in the first week of school in January, Email, journal and verbal announce. The distribution of the tickets is ongoing.

#### **7.0 ratiopharm handwashing project**

This project will start the week after the PDW.

7.1 The process of forming a committee consisting of 1<sup>st</sup> year students interested in the handwashing project is ongoing.

7.2 Operation Wash-Up was setup with (4) groups consisting of 1<sup>st</sup> years students as were the dates and for the activity to be executed at the first week of April. The ratiopharm activity is being led by Michel Najm, a first year student.

### **Miscellaneous**

PDW activities consisted of assisting the PDW committee during the setup and during wrap-up, and of course the PDW itself. We also helped the organization committee on different points during the week.

Surveyed and searched for a potential bilingual webmaster. We have found a student who would be interested in doing the work. He has been an IT specialist for 5 years before starting pharmacy. He knows a lot about HTML and website editing. Some details are to be finalized before he starts.

Pursued advertisement and distribution of i-Pharmacist coupons.

Confirmed our local CAPSIL rep., Alexandre Ferland, for next year.

### **Universite Laval**

PDW wrap up: Everyone had very good comments on the event. Thanks to Isabelle and all the team in Montreal! The local student bodies have been spoiled with letters and comments of people who really enjoyed it,

Technicians symposia: Our agenda is already filled with lunch conferences and as every student has already been introduced to the tech. debate in class, we could not manage to get a conference, because nobody would've come. This is why I made it in a survey form, and still compiling the results.

Members list: as the members have been poorly kept in the last years, I had to update it. Some names were missing. A cheque will be made to CAPSI national to "complete" the part of the missing students.

4) Handwashing program: (3 presentations remaining, will be done before March 31<sup>st</sup>)

5) iPharmacist: Distribution has been good, and I kept specific lists on who got a coupon for the next years.

6) Next year: Dominique Boivin will be Sr rep and Jonathan will be Jr rep. They are both very motivated to fill their positions and I'm sure they will do a very good job.

## **Dalhousie University Videoconference Report**

**Rachel LeBlanc, Senior CAPSI Representative**

Since PDW, we've been quite busy at Dalhousie.

1. After talking with the other council members we realized that Dal didn't have a very united front with its student society so we had a meeting with the executive of the DSPS (Dalhousie Society of Pharmacy Students) to outline our plans for CAPSI at Dal. The idea of working closely with our executive was well received and I'd like to thank the council members that I talked to from other schools to get ideas from them.

2. We updated our local CAPSI bulletin board in the school to display CAPSILs and the brochures for next year's PDW. It looks great and is a great way to distribute CAPSILs.

Also created a CAPSIL read and return area in our student lounge so that everyone gets a chance to read it. It's been a popular edition to the reading material scattered in the lounge.

3. Moneys were distributed to the students from the PDW surplus. Every student who attended got ~\$40 and they were pretty excited about that. One of the classes even put it toward their class trip they will be taking in 4th year. I thought that was a great idea.

4. Ratiopharm handwashing campaign was launched during PAW. We got some girls who volunteered at local schools to help us gather contacts at the local elementaries. So far, we've only done 2, but we plan to do at least 1 more before the end of the year and then the other 2 in the fall.

5. Plan B symposium was held at the beginning of March. We had a great speaker and a great turn out ... ~ 100 students and had some awesome feedback. We distributed booklets with the different articles that Jinny emailed out as well as some others that we had found from newspapers etc. Every student there got one and we were actually contacted by students who didn't attend who wanted one. We were really pleased with this symposium.

6. We are working on amending our constitution at Dal to have the class reps elected in the spring elections with the DSPS as well as to have the Jr. CAPSI rep be a 2 year position. We really feel this is going to make big changes for CAPSI at Dal and make it a lot easier to have well organized competitions etc.

7. We are currently organizing the annual CAPSI curl at a local curling rink which is always a great time. We will be holding it when the 4th years get back from rotation toward the end of April.

## **Memorial University of Newfoundland**

Thankfully the Winter Semester hasn't been as hectic as the fall, but we have managed to stay busy here on the East Coast none the less!

The highlight on the CAPSI front would have to be the rollout of 'Operation: Washup'. We spread our presentations over the term but saved one for PAW to go along with the rest of the events planned for the week. We also sponsored a very successful public skate at Mile One Stadium to cap off the week that was full of Pharmacy promotional activities including Compounding with Kids sessions at elementary schools, to children's groups on site and at the Janeway Children's Hospital; Highschool presentations; Information booths at the University Center, Mall and again at the final event held at the city's premier stadium etc.

The other major annual event that we host in this period is the Mock OSCE's. This practice session was greatly appreciated by the grad class who are preparing for their impending PEBC exams. It made for a long (and expensive) evening but I think it was well worth it. With cases developed by the faculty, local pharmacists coming in to serve as judges and student as well as professional standardized patients presenting a variety of scenarios to them, I think the experience was as authentic as possible.

The Wyeth Vitamin Seminar was hosted at a local hotel and was extremely well attended. I took the opportunity to talk with and thank Dr. Murray Brown and the other representatives for their current support of the Guy Genest Scholarship. I also pushed for the commitment to continue long into the future and assured them that even though certain members of the existing council may not be around come renewal time, we will be back in a heartbeat to make sure this doesn't get swept under the rug! Who's with me?!?! Speaking of the scholarship, I have also had meetings with Dr. Hensman, the school's Director and part of the local awards committee, and she is in full support of the scholarship and offered to fly Guy out for the inaugural presentation!

The ECP symposium is about to be held and we had collaboration from various students to come up with answers to the questions for the Tech White Paper. We have also utilized and promoted the new forum section of the website and hopefully more people from council will chime in on the Scholarship discussion.

I have also been working to increase relations with the HSSA on both the local and national level. We have held interdisciplinary events such as inter-D curling during the Olympics (WAY TO GO GUSHUE!!!) as well as a number of other social events and mixers. I have also had the opportunity to meet and discuss various issues with visiting presenters for our Interprofessional / Collaborative Education Lecture Series. These distinguished guests include Dr. Carol Herbert (Dean of Medicine and Dentistry at the University of Western Ontario) and Ms. Jessica Diamond (a recent Co-Chair of the NHPN). Next up is Dr. John Gilbert, the Principal of the College of Health Disciplines at UBC.

I hope everyone else had a great winter! We can't wait to see you all at the VTC.  
Until next time... Take Care & Good Luck!

CAPSI-MUN (aka. Sheldon Baines, Fauz Malik and Jennifer Goulding)

# **EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

## **President-Adam Somers**

### **-CFMS/CNSA Link**

I had a video conference with the president of CNSA (nursing) and CFMS (medicine). The results of this meeting was to establish open lines of communication, ensure mutual invitations to conferences and to discuss various issues that affect all of our organizations.

### **-Communication Link**

This Link has been inactive and responsibilities involving this link will be delegated to VP Inter-D beginning in June.

### **-Quality Worklife - Quality Healthcare Collaborative**

Although not officially acting on CAPSI's behalf, I have been taking part in the Increasing Awareness and Engagement Working Group of this collaborative, focussing on safe and healthy healthcare workplaces. I am the only student and the only pharmacy representative in this working group.

### **-Apotex iPharmacist program**

After much discussion, I was able to get some answers from Apotex. Namely, that they are not sure about who this will be offered to next year, and that the programs are not lost. Also, a new contact person was found after the departure of Teresa Pitre.

### **-NHPN**

The NHPN has begun plans for a second symposium/award ceremony. I have taken the position of chairing the awards committee for the second year in a row. The NHPN continues to support a publicly-funded single-tier medicare system.

### **-Americans**

Mattias and I had a great set of meetings at the APhA-ASP conference with both the outgoing and the incoming executive councils. There are potential initiatives for us to pursue. See report for details.

### **-Technicians position paper**

I am still awaiting data from certain schools (you know who you are...) Once all data is received, it will be compiled and the paper will be put together for publishing.

### **-CACDS opportunity**

After meeting with Allan Malek, Director, Pharmacy for CACDS. He informed us of the opportunity for a pharmacy student to work at their head office. Deadline for this opportunity is April 7<sup>th</sup>, please notify your students. Also we feel that there is a potential for future collaboration with CACDS, and we will discuss this further at CPhA.

## **President-Elect – Mattias Berg**

### **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.

### **Constitutional Review Committee**

#### Current Initiatives:

- The results of the approved general review of CAPSI Bylaws and Operating Manual including an evaluation of 2004/2005 article adoptions are ready for 2006/2007 committee review and will be posted online as soon as possible
- Collation of proposed changes to the PSF-CAPSI contractual agreement which are to be presented to council at the CPhA Conference in June
- Development and adoption of article describing requirements/protocol for contractual agreements

#### Planned Initiatives:

- Review of University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy's APhA-ASP chapter constitution for articles outlining student requirements for event attendance at national conferences in lieu of potential policy adoption

### **Website Committee**

#### Current Initiatives:

- Launch of new CAPSI National website ([www.capsi.ca](http://www.capsi.ca)) is finalized including the National Calendar and IPSF Student Exchange Information portions of the site
- As a consequence of poor communication and lack of commitment to CAPSI by the current webmaster, CAPSI National is in the process of obtaining a new webmaster, a position that has been advertised within the CAPSIL. In hopes of finding a bilingual webmaster, the Quebec schools have raised the issue at their schools. Thus far, only one potential, bilingual candidate from the University of Montreal has been found.
- The CAPSI National Forum has officially been launched at [www.capsi.ca/forum](http://www.capsi.ca/forum) with advertisements within the CAPSIL providing increased exposure to the service

#### Planned Initiatives:

- Publishing meeting minutes online in hopes of providing increased transparency on the National level
- Development of an equivalent French version of the CAPSI National website
- Development of an incentive program for member participation on the online forum

### **APhA-ASP Conference 2006**

- Please refer to report



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

### Current Initiatives:

- Confirmation of specific dates and times of room bookings – conference will begin on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and will run until June 6<sup>th</sup>
- Consulted with President Somers in lieu of meeting agenda preparation

### Planned Initiatives:

- Organization and preparation of agenda for the turnover meetings at the beginning of presidential term
- Contact offices of all interest groups and organizations that CAPSI National is planning to hold joint meetings with at the conference

## **Vice-President Education-Jinny Cheng**

### Symposium:

For the past couple years, only one symposium was done. This year, we were aiming at having 2 symposiums. Guideline was sent out at the end of February regarding the second symposium, “Plan B”. There wasn’t a list of specific questions we want answer to since we probably won’t have a chance to put out another position paper before the summer. A lot of school probably choose not to do the symposium because of the limited time, and were busy with PAW.

### Ratiopharm hand washing program:

It was decided that we would do a national coordinated run of Operation Wash-up during PAW with the exception for Laval due to their study break. Most students enjoyed the presentation, and feedbacks are being compiled for recommendations for next year. I am having a meeting with Pam from Ratiopharm over the phone sometime next week regarding possible changes of the program.

### Competitions:

Competition feedbacks were compiled. I will be going over some recommendations with Larry from Wyeth in the coming week.

## **Vice-President Communication-Janelle Rondeau**

A contract was signed with CU Advertising. They will solicit ads for our 2006-2007 Agenda. Their cut is 50/50. I will personally solicit up to 30 companies that CU will not be approaching. This is outlined in our contract.

Duo Creative will once again create and print the Agendas. We are not being charged for the putting together of the Agenda.

I am in contact with a local printing company to see how much it would cost to print the Handbook of Interview Questions.

Wyeth has joined CAPSI Club as was previously mentioned in January.

Janelle

## **CAPSIL Editor-Cynthia Lui**

Activities since PDW:

Issue #3 – Spring '06:

English version: released week of March 20<sup>th</sup>.

French version: expected release date: April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Largest Issue to date at 24 pages: several non-CAPSIL rep submissions.

Introduction of 3 new sections:

- Reviews
- Rotation Heaven/Hell – a place where students can share their experiences on rotation
- Point/Counterpoint – a discussion on a hot/controversial topic, to be continued on the online forum

Launch of the CAPSI Message Board – back-page advertisement and text boxes throughout issue highlighting possible discussions that can occur.

Guest Pharmacist Writer: Dorothy Smith, one of the founders of CAPSI

Faculty Profiles: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year curriculum's and internship hours required for provincial licensure

Point/Counterpoint: Sponsorship in the Faculty of Pharmacy

Review: the iPharmacist

Rotation Heaven/Hell: Learning about HIV/AIDS in British-Columbia

International Pharmacy: Student Exchange Program, Pharmacists Without Borders, Neema Project Completed and an article about Drug Donations highlighting a study by the Pharmacists Without Borders.

CAPSIL \$25 contest: Answer a short questionnaire about your thoughts on CAPSIL.

Please promote locally as they are very simple questions.

\$25 CAPSIL content winner from Winter issue: Amy Pham from the U of T for answering the question: "Where do I think the profession is heading?"

\$75 CAPSIL draw from article submissions: Elaine Tam from the U of T.

## **Executive Secretary-Omolayo Famuyide**

### **Membership Committee**

The CAPSI Membership Database for the 2005/2006 year has been updated. As of March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006, we currently have 3689 registered student members. Please refer to the Finance report on the membership fees collected to date.

Future initiatives of the Membership Committee include:

- printing of official stationary
- reassess the need of CAPSI pamphlets at CPhA

**CAPSI National Executive Bi-elections**

Bi-elections were held for the positions of VP Communications, VP Education and CAPSIL Editor during the month of February. Again, please join me in welcoming Jolanta Piszczek (UBC), Derek Lee (UBC) and Cynthia Lui (Manitoba) to the 2006/2007 CAPSI National Executive Council.

Again, there was a delay in the bi-elections process due to the transition time required for the Executive Secretary to make VHS copies of the candidates’ speeches and the duration to mail them to the respective schools. I would like to address the possibility and feasibility of uploading election speeches onto an internet link for viewing by CAPSI members only. The added costs for such a method will need to be researched, but this method would save on the amount of time This is an issue that will be further discussed with the new Webmaster and incoming Executive Secretary, Sandy Cheng at CPhA.

**iPharmacist Student Program**

Please refer to the below on the number of student iPharmacist purchases to date.

**February 2006 Student iPharmacist Purchases**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Number</b>
December 1st - December 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>75</b>
December 7th - January 1, 2006	<b>151</b>
January 2nd - January 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>129</b>
January 31st - February 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>89</b>
March 1st - March 31 <sup>st</sup>	
April 1st - April 30 <sup>th</sup>	
May 1st - May 31 <sup>st</sup>	
June 1st - June 30 <sup>th</sup>	
July 1st - July 31 <sup>st</sup>	
August 1st - August 31 <sup>st</sup>	
September 1st - September 30 <sup>th</sup>	
October 1st - October 31 <sup>st</sup>	
November 1st - November 30 <sup>th</sup>	
December 1st - December 31 <sup>st</sup>	

**TOTAL      444**

The program will undergo an extensive review at CPhA.

**Official Stationary for CAPSI/ACEIP Inc.**

Prior to the re-design of the new logo, CAPSI National had official letterhead and envelopes for council members to use. As a national organization representing pharmacy students, uniformity should exist in the quality and content of stationary materials used among members of the Executive and our local representatives. Most schools have adopted their own template over the years, I ask that a representative from each of the respective schools submit a copy of the stationary they currently use so that we can adopt these changes to the new format. This is an initiative we hope to complete over the summer with the assistance of the incoming Executive Secretary, Sandy Cheng.

### **Pharmacy Human Resources Study**

I will be representing CAPSI National on the National Advisory Committee of the Pharmacy Human Resources Study ( the Study). The purpose of the Study is to gather information on the pharmacy workforce and the challenges it faces, while gathering consensus around options that may help to better prepare the pharmacy workforce for the future. The Study is being conducted over a period of 30 months (October 2005 to March 2008) and 12 separate studies will take place over this time. CPhA will be managing the study, along with over 20 partner organizations such as CAPSI, Canadian Medical Association, CSHP, Canadian Nurses Association, Ontario College of Pharmacists and individual representatives from community and hospital practice. All be provided with representation on the National Advisory Committee.

I will be attending the first inaugural meeting of the Committee in Ottawa from April 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. I have been in contact with the Project Manager of the Study and the purpose of the first meeting is to orient members of the committee to the goals and objects of the Study. I will provide council with a much more detailed report at CPhA reporting my findings from the meeting and what CAPSI's role(s) will be within the Study.

### ***VP Interdisciplinary Affairs- Dominique Boivin***

#### **NHPN**

##### *InterD committee*

The Ministry of Health in Ontario contacted the NHPN about 2 months ago, in order to ask us what our specific organization had to offer about interdisciplinary care, how all the professions could work together, and how we would make this work in practice. From there, it was suggested that the NHPN write a national policy on this particular issue. We decided to have a dual approach for that policy: the educational perspective and the policy perspective. I'm working on the first perspective. We've had one conference call so far, and we are working through a mailing list from there. We should have another conference call soon, because the objective was to have a draft written by the end of April. Sheldon Baines has been added to the mail list, in order to help us and to assure that there is always a pharmacy perspective that is brought up, as I'm not always available with my baby!

##### *Evidence committee*

There is nothing new with this committee. People are not writing to the list I created. I'll have to get in touch with the NHPN about the necessity of this committee. NHPN already have quite a lot of people who send actuality review.

### *Le Devoir*

I found a reliable man in Quebec city who is reviewing Le Devoir for NHPN and looking for articles that we would be interested in or that we would like to answer to. His work seems appreciated so far.

### CAPSIL

I wrote an article about NHPN and the interD committee in the last edition of CAPSIL.

## **Student Exchange Officer-Hillary Adams**

### **Outgoing...**

The Canadian students that have applied for exchange and submitted their \$85.00 application fees, as well as the school they are from and the country they are traveling to are listed below:

People who have been 'Placed' in a Country (therefore the exchange is all set-up, they just have to arrange for their transportation there and speak with the SEO of that country.):

1. Tazeen Siddiqui from U of T, is placed in Egypt.
2. Cynthia Cho-Kee from U of T, placed in Finland.
3. Julie Kang from U of T, placed in Hungary.
4. Kaspar Ng from U of T, placed in Ghana.
5. Lori Chen from U of T, placed in Turkey.
6. Anton Solonnikov from Dalhousie, placed in Croatia.

People who have been 'Reserved' in a Country (therefore the exchange is nearly all set up, the SEO from the country simply has to confirm it with the participant):

1. Frederic Julien-Baker from U of Montreal, reserved by France.
2. Mark Karayacoubian from Dalhousie, reserved by France.
3. Levon Benohanian from U of Montreal, reserved by France.
4. Josey-Michel Milius from U of Montreal, reserved by France.

People who have not yet been offered an exchange by an SEO from another country:

1. Tania Leigh Klachan from U of T.
2. Evgenia Cheveleva from U of T.

### **Incoming...**

Unfortunately, I haven't been terribly successful in this area...as of right now we only have 3 host sites to offer for the summer in Canada. They are:

1. Research work with Dr. Nazareli at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon
2. Community pharmacy work with Nayan Patel, at his Healthsmart Pharmasave at 2425 Eglinton Ave. East, Scarborough Ontario.
3. Community pharmacy work with Ian Stewart, at his Shoppers Drug Mart at 5230 Dundas St West, Etobicoke, Ontario.

All of these exchanges will be happening in August, and I'll have the names of the students coming in to Canada confirmed in the next few weeks.

### **What I'm currently working on...**

1. More host sites! I would really like to have 5 spots for the program this summer. I had set my sights higher (I was hoping for 10!), but have been running into some difficulty with getting pharmacies to agree to taking in a student. (as well, all the pharmacies here in Saskatchewan are asked to employ students as part of our internship requirements, so it makes it that much harder to find a pharmacy that doesn't already have a student or two)

\*\*If anyone is able to help me with this...if you know a pharmacist that might be interested in providing a student with a place to work for a month OR if you can approach a professor and ask them to take a student on for their summer research. Any help would be much appreciated!

2. Accommodation and entertainment, etc. for the students coming here for exchange. I will need some help from the CAPSI people at U of Toronto in finding accommodations for the two students who will be working there in August. I will admit that my knowledge of Toronto is...well it sucks. I'm not sure where Etobicoke and Scarborough are in relation to other landmarks so I will need some help in finding accommodation for a month for these students.

3. There are still two students from U of T that have not yet been placed, and there are four students who are still "Reserved" by France. My hope is that if we have a few more host sites to offer (especially French-speaking hosts!) then I can bribe the French SEO to approve our students in exchange for a few of their students who want to come here.

In summary...please ask around at all of your schools/cities to see if anyone can host a student.

Now...admit it...White Ninja comics are so random they are hilarious....

**American Pharmacists Association-Academy Student Pharmacy  
National Conference March 17 – 21, 2006  
San Francisco, California  
CAPSI National President's Report**

**EVENT ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION**

- APhA-ASP Chapter Roundtable Discussion
- APhA-ASP Chapter Poster Session
- APhA-ASP Opening General Session
- APhA-ASP 2006 Welcoming Social
- APhA Opening General Session
- APhA Exposition
- APhA-ASP House of Delegates First Session
- APhA Award Ceremony and Reception
- APhA New Practitioner Network Night on the Town
- APhA-ASP IPSF Information Roundtable
- APhA-ASP House of Delegates Final Session and Elections
- APhA-ASP Award Ceremony
- University of California, San Francisco Social Night
- APhA-ASP Incoming/Outgoing Officers Meeting
- APhA Closing Reception and Banquet

**MEETINGS**

- Dean Stock, Medisca Network Inc.
- Hao Nguyen, ratiopharm
- George Murray and Brian Stowe, CPhA President and President-Elect
- Allan Malek, Director of Pharmacy, Canadian Association of Chain Drug Stores
- Lexi-Comp Technical Support Workers
- Outgoing APhA-ASP National Executive Council
- Ingoing APhA-ASP National Executive Council including APhA Staff Members
- Neveen Abdelghani, APhA-ASP IPSF Project Coordinator and IPSF Executive

**PROPOSED INITIATIVES**

**1. EDUCATION/PROGRAMMING**

-Chapter Report Exchange: CAPSI VP Communications in collaboration with assigned APhA-ASP contact person will work to establish an annual system of policy exchange whereby effective initiatives and policy changes shared (e.g.

-Educational Program Exchange: CAPSI VP Education in collaboration with assigned APhA-ASP contact person will work to establish an information exchange of novel or

progressive programming within their respective countries (e.g. ratiopharm hand washing program)

-Joint Position Paper on Cross Border Pharmaceutical Trade: Perhaps this would be best accomplished with a joint symposium.

## **2. CAPSIL**

-Student Pharmacist Magazine: CAPSIL Editor in collaboration with assigned APhA-ASP contact person will participate in an article exchange in hopes of increasing exposure to American Pharmacy student perspectives within Canada and vice versa.

## **3. IPSF**

-IPSF Program Exchange – CAPSI-IPSF Liaison in collaboration with APhA-ASP IPSF Project Coordinator will participate in an annual exchange of programming and information relating to IPSF projects (e.g. novel methods of increasing host sites)

-Participated in meeting with local IPSF Chapter reps (forwarding relevant handouts/brochures to Hillary)

## **4. NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

-Mandatory Event Attendance – The APhA-ASP has instituted a policy whereby students are required to attend specific APhA-ASP events in order to obtain reimbursement of their registration fee (the University of Kentucky will be e-mailing a copy of their constitution which outlines these specific requirements for participation and reimbursement of APhA-ASP members at ASP events), this has a lot of potential to be implemented at PDW with respect to fundraising.

## **NOVEL CONCEPTS**

-Pharmacy Professionalism Toolkit for Students and Faculty: The APhA-ASP/AACP Committee on Student Professionalism has developed a comprehensive toolkit that schools of Pharmacy can use to increase the level of professionalism at their schools. This toolkit is available at:

<http://www.aphanet.org/STUDENTS/leadership/professionalism/toolkit/index.htm>

-Spaghetti Fundraiser: Local APhA-ASP chapters have successfully solicited grocers that have a Pharmacy department [and therefore also have a potential interest in sponsorship (e.g. Safeway)] to donate spaghetti and pasta sauce to be cooked by Pharmacy faculty and students and then sold for profit. Partial proceeds from this event were allocated to a charity (i.e. the motivating factor behind the drive) while the remaining funds were used to fund students' travel expenses to the APhA-ASP conference.

-"Pay-it-forward" Pie Fundraiser: Local APhA-ASP chapters have raised money for their organization by allowing students to purchase pies to be sent to students and faculty at their school of Pharmacy. The recipient of these pies will be offered a choice of a pie in the face or to pay a fee to forward the pie to someone else who in turn is faced with the same dilemma.



- Framingham Project: Pharmacy students set up clinics at their schools and malls where members of the public were not only had their blood pressure and cholesterol levels tested, but were provided with patient-specific Framingham Risk Assessment data.
- Silent Auction: Certain APhA-ASP chapters have successfully solicited local businesses to donate their goods (e.g. DVD player) or services (e.g. spa treatment) to be auctioned off in a silent auction at a Pharmacy event (e.g. gala) as an avenue of fundraising rather than focusing purely on monetary donations.
- Cookbook: One APhA-ASP chapter raised significant amounts of funding from putting together a Pharmacy cookbook using the recipe contributions of faculty and students.
- Bookmarks: Bookmarks with the slogan “Know your Medication – Know your Pharmacist” were distributed by members of the APhA-ASP to members of the general public during the American Pharmacists Awareness Month. CAPSI bookmarks could easily be distributed to non-Pharmacy students and members of the public during Pharmacy Awareness Week with a similar catchy slogan along with a list of the services that a pharmacist can provide (i.e. “Did you know your pharmacist can... and then list relevant services).”

### **APhA-ASP Background Information**

Much of the Background Information can be found at their website at <http://www.aphanet.org/students/>, there are numerous differences between our organizations, as well as numerous similarities.

