

CAPSI National Video Teleconference
Sponsored by AstraZeneca
December 1st, 2006, 12pm – 2pm EST

Agenda

- 1. Welcome- (Mattias Berg)**
- 2. Attendance- (Sandy Cheng)**
- 3. Acceptance of Old Minutes (CPhA 2006 Meeting)- (Mattias Berg)**
- 4. Local Reports (including feedback regarding competitions (e.g. PIC) , awards (e.g. Guy Genest), and other educational programs (e.g. Operation Washup))**
 - University of British Columbia
 - University of Alberta
 - University of Saskatchewan
 - University of Manitoba
 - University of Toronto
 - Université de Montréal
 - Université Laval
 - Dalhousie University
 - Memorial University of Newfoundland
- 5. Executive Reports**
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 - VP Education
 - VP Interdisciplinary Affairs
 - Executive Secretary
 - CAPSIL Editor
 - IPSF Liaison
 - Student Exchange Officer
 - Finance Officer
 - President-Elect
 - President
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Minutes

M. Berg acted as chair and S. Cheng as secretary for the meeting.

Item 1 Call to Order
Call to order 9:15am PST

M. Berg

Item 2 Attendance

S. Cheng

M. Berg	President
O. Famuyide	President Elect
J. Piszczek	VP Communications late
D. Lee	VP Education
S. Baines	VP Interdisciplinary Affairs
B. Liao	Finance Officer
S. Cheng	Executive Secretary
C. Lui	CAPSIL Editor
H. Adams	IPSF Liaison
L. Bui	UBC Senior Representative
J. Lee	Alberta Senior Representative
M. Percy	Alberta Junior Representative
J. Ramji	Saskatchewan Senior Representative
K. Gudmundson	Saskatchewan Junior Representative
G. Pauch	Manitoba Senior Representative
M. Green	Manitoba Junior Representative
F. St. James	Montreal Senior Representative
C. Johnston	Dalhousie Senior Representative
M. Poole	Dalhousie Junior Representative
J. Goulding	Memorial Senior Representative
Amarra	Memorial Junior Representative
Adrienne Dufour	PDW 2007 Committee
Cheryl Shaver	PDW 2007 Committee

Regrets:

V. Masson	Student Exchange Officer
F. Huang	UBC Junior Representative
A. Somers	Past President
F. Malik	Memorial Senior Representative
A. Marcil	Toronto Senior Representative
M. Irvine	Toronto Junior Representative
D. Boivin	Laval Senior Representative

J. Therrien
M. Najm

Laval Junior Representative
Montreal Junior Representative

Item 3 Acceptance of Old Minutes (CPhA 2006 Meeting)

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Item 4 Local Reports (including feedback regarding competitions (e.g. PIC) , awards (e.g. Guy Genest), and other educational programs (e.g. Operation Washup))

University of British Columbia

- Refer to appendix for local report
- Guy Genest Award: will find out who the winner is and get back to us
- Competition review:
 - o Compounding competition: problem with marking scheme
 - o Student Literary Competition: winner is not yet selected

University of Alberta

- Refer to appendix for local report
- Guy Genest Award: Dec. 1st, winner not yet selected
- Competition review:
 - o all went well. Adrian from Wyeth joined them for the compounding competition
 - o OTC: judges commented that questions should be more uniform – all questions were close ended questions except for one open ended question

University of Saskatchewan

- Refer to appendix for local report
- Guy Genest Award: award will be awarded on local level, but most likely not in time for PDW
- Competition review: all competitions went well

University of Manitoba

- Refer to appendix for local report
- Competition review:
 - o Compounding: no marking scheme was available for the compounding competition
 - o Patient Interview: the standardized patient had a hard time figuring out the case, the information given was very ambiguous and there was no specific direction

University of Toronto – not connected

- Refer to appendix for local report

Université de Montréal

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- Competition review: all competitions went well. Lots of good participation and fun

Université Laval – not connected

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Memorial University of Newfoundland

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 - o Compounding competition: some materials need to be updated, template was being used from last year. Perhaps have a competition review committee to pick up any glitches before the materials are sent off to the different schools

Item 5 Executive Reports

VP Communication:

- Refer to appendix for executive report
- Student Literary Competition:
 - o M. Berg states CPJ may be able to cover the cost of printing of the SLC, and may be able to print articles of the winners in the CPJ, however they are seeking a co-sponsor
 - o O. Famuyide adds that CPJ were willing to print this year's winner national winner in the CPJ, therefore, if the CPJ can find a co-sponsor, they should be able to provide more help to CAPSI
 - o J. Piszczek reports that she is contacting sponsors as much as she can, and would also like to work with D. Lee for some assistance.

VP Education:

- Refer to appendix for executive report

VP Interdisciplinary Affairs:

- Refer to appendix for executive report

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Student Exchange Officer

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Finance Officer :

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- agenda printing costs : there were no discounts
 - o J. Piszczek reports that she will ask for a discount from the printing company or look for a different printing company, as the current company seems to be falling short of some of the promises they have made us
 - o iPharmacist inquiry: J. Piszczek confirms that the coupon is applicable to all palm pilots on the iPharmacist website.

-President-Elect:

- Refer to appendix for executive report

-President:

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Item 6 Old business

Update on PDW 2007 Update

A. Dufour

As registration draws to a close, the number of students committed to attending the conference is much less than was expected. Adrienne Dufour, the Co-Chair of the PDW 2007 organizing committee will address the council.

- refer to appendix for PDW email to council
- There are 414 students registered to date. The website will remain open for registration until the end of December (the deadline has already been extended several times, they will be paying Karelo for their services until the end of December anyway)
- Sponsors: the PDW committee report that they have worked very hard to seek these sponsors, some companies have stepped up hugely, with the expectation that 850 students will be attending. However, because only 400 students will be attending, this may create future problems for sponsorship of PDW in subsequent years.

- Penalties for hotel contracts: facing \$14000 of unused rooms
- The PDW Committee reports that it is hard to adjust the conference from 850 to 400 attendees. They will continue to make PDW a success this year, regardless of the numbers.
- Encourage all students to attend PDW, it is not about the host city, but about the education value
- The speakers lined up this year are more than double that of previous years; it will be a very educational experience
- Day registration: if the committee opens day registration, the dean will ensure that all students attend the day events (because classes are suspended). The day registrants will be only invited to the day conferences, and will not be able to attend the sponsored events (the socials). The PDW committee will gain \$6500 from day attendance because the students are not attending socials. It is purely profit. They feel strongly that this should be offered their students as classes will be suspended anyway. They have also opened PDW to pharmacists in Manitoba, even though CAPSI bylaws state that PDW is only open to CAPSI members. This is because PDW offers 11.5 CEUS, and in Manitoba pharmacists only need 15 a year, therefore this conference is very attractive to them. Some of these pharmacist members are also former CAPSI members.
- V. Masson will promote PDW internationally, though they may not draw that many people, however she feels any little bit will help
- M. Berg is concerned about the fact that students were told that day registration will not open until 850 spots are filled
- C. Shaver clarifies: students were concerned that they will not be able to attend PDW even though classes will be suspended because the committee kept reinforcing the fact that they will only open day registration if they meet 850. It was only in the last 2 days that they opened day registration.
- M. Berg states that day registration will not help with the sponsorship situation, and that sponsors should be notified about the current situation.
- M. Berg states that although CAPSI National was not consulted prior to the implementation of the move of opening registration to pharmacists, he understands that the PDW committee is dealing with a very stressful situation.
- Ideas:
 - o Opening up registration to Saskatchewan pharmacists as well.
 - o Increase fees for day registration
 - o Sell gift certificates for fundraising, can raise \$25000
 - o K. Gudmundson: if you have an event happening every week at school, this increases the exposure of the event, “increases buzz” and more people will be interested. This was very successful at their school.
- PDW committee states that many students have been holding onto their registration keys, and encourage local representatives to tell students to register their keys. If they have lost their keys the PDW committee can give them another one.

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- 10:20AM PST - UBC power outage: no minutes available

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10:48AM PST: UBC power restored.

- All motions will be made via email.
- What benefits are CAPSI members receiving from NHPN for \$2500?
- S. Baines states that we must reevaluate the current situation- consider how much funding we have for interprofessional activities, and divide it accordingly

Budget Cuts **B. Liao**

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- The initial reason for covering junior travel is because there was surplus, however the surplus is now gone. M. Berg adds that junior coverage is traditionally not done, however there was a surplus, and in order to keep the status as a non profit organization, we must use up the money, therefore it was decided that junior travel would be covered
- Also, in certain schools, juniors do not automatically transition to seniors, and juniors may not contribute as much during discussions at meetings, as they are in a position of learning.

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Amendments: BIRT CAPSI National decrease CAPSIL printing costs from 15% to 5-10% of CAPSI membership per school. If the school wishes to provide more copies, the local CAPSI council will be responsible for covering these costs.

- Instead of putting cap on, set the cost to 5-10%

- C. Lui suggests moving the motion to PDW, because the next printing won't occur until after PDW. She will be looking into other avenues for funding, or looking for other ways of saving money from the CAPSIL.

BIRT CAPSI tables this discussion of CAPSIL printing costs to PDW.

D.Lee/ L. Bui

Motion passed

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D. Lee/ J. Ramji

Motion passed

Item 8 Additional Items: none

Item 9 Adjournment- (Mattias Berg)

Motion to adjourn

B. Liao/ J. Lee

Abstentions: 1

Motion Passed

Meeting ended at 11:05AM PST

Appendix



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Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns

Fauz Malik's Letter of Resignation:

Dear Council,

It is with sadness that I am announcing my resignation from the CAPSI Senior position at MUN. As many of you know at MUN we have had a system for CAPSI which has basically involved a senior and junior reps as well as an apprentice. This being my third year in the CAPSI system at MUN has been busy and things have been rolling along.

The reason for my resignation has to do with academic and personal issues I have been dealing with over the course of the past year and half. There have been many events that I have been coming to grips with over the past while and I am glad to say that I have recovered and things are back on track for me personally for future career path down the road of pharmacy. At this point, however, I no longer feel that I have the energy the senior position requires.

To this point in the semester all events that we regularly have at MUN CAPSI have taken place as they usually do. CAPSI local at MUN is in good hands with Jennifer and Ammara. To ensure there are no difficulties I will definitely be there to help out with any problems that arise etc. I have setup an entire electronic guide for our events and this will ensure that there are minimal difficulties arising due to this transition. I plan to continue helping out CAPSI locally in any manner that I can.

In closing, I would just like to say that I have greatly enjoyed meeting everyone in CAPSI over the last few years. They have included some of the most memorable and entertaining times I have had and will not be soon forgotten.

Thanks to everyone for their assistance and look forward to staying in touch with you all,

Sincerely,

Fauz Malik

University of British Columbia

CAPSI AWARENESS WEEK-September 11-14th, 2006

A combination of excellent promotion, great team work amongst local council members and a very receptive first year class resulted in a successful UBC CAW 2006. We have a total of 97 new members, which is an increase of 25 members compared to last year. This brings to a total of 326/552; approximately 60% voluntary membership. We had the following schedule for UBC CAW:

- Monday Sept 11-CAPSI Introduction
- Tuesday Sept 12-Novopharm Pad folio Presentation
- Wednesday Sept 13-Membership sign up and agenda pick up for old members
- Thursday Sept 14-Apotex Sling Bag Presentation
- Friday September 15-CPhA presentation (separate from UBC CAW)

CAPSI WELCOME BACK DANCE-September 15th, 2006

This is an annual event that we do to fundraise money for our UBC local budget, as well as give students a chance to meet each other and catch up before the academic terms term starts. We were incredibly successful as we were able to raise \$1500 from this one single event

IPSF-DRIVING RANGE FUNDRAISER FOR THE PHARMACY PROFESSION AWARENESS CAMPAIGN AWARD-September 20th, 2006

Sharon Leung, our local IPSF Liaison has been phenomenon this year. For the past several years, CAPSI UBC has held a golf tournament at the beginning of the school year to raise money for the Neema project, but since it has been completed, Sharon decided that we would continue to hold a golf-related tournament, but in the name of IPSF. We raised over \$100 despite lack of sponsorship and it was pouring rain that day at the golf course. Our local council is going to top this amount to make it an even \$200 to go towards an award called IPSF PPAC Award to provide financial support to students who have ideas for events that will benefit the whole student body at UBC Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences or, bring more awareness to the profession of pharmacy. This is the first time we've had an award such as this, and we are in the process of advertising and setting criteria and rules for it. We hope this will continue to be a annual event/award as well.

CAPSI MID YEAR REPORT-FIRST YEAR REP ELECTION-September 26th, 2006

Mid-year reports at UBC are often done in September to update members on what has been happening since the second semester (where we often have our AGM) of the previous school year. Attendance is often low for such events because September is such a hectic event, however, there were immensely happy to have 50 students in attendance.

We also held out CAPSI First Year Rep Election at this event, and had four candidates running for the position.

PDW SWEET REVENGE DESSERT FUNDRAISER-Friday October 6th, 2006

For the first time this year, we organized a big fundraising event for PDW. The event composed of “all you can eat” desserts as well as entertainment for the price of \$10. We approached local bakeries and cafes to ask for dessert donations and were surprised by the overwhelming support from the community. For the entertainment portion, we had one of our very own pharmacy student-Dan Heffner and his guests played, as well as dance performances from UBC Salsa Club and a Belly Dancer. Our goal was to raise \$2000 for PDW; unfortunately we caught people at a bad time as we failed to realize when we were organizing and booking the event that it was the Friday before Thanksgiving long weekend so we had very weak attendance. However, those who showed up, including faculty members had a wonderful time. We got nothing but positive feed backs so we are going to make it an annual event.

Despite the weak attendance, we still managed to make approximately \$600 to go towards PDW travel subsidization. If you like to know more about this event or thinking about doing something similar, we invite you to visit our website at www.capsiubc.com.

CAPSI COMPETITIONS-October 31st-November 9th, 2006

All competitions are now completed and we are awaiting results

1. Compounding Competition-October 31st – November 2nd from 5:30-7pm
 - a. We had a total of 9 teams participating, which is an extremely low number for this competition. However, it may have been due to very hectic November Midterm Exam schedule. We would have liked to organize this event earlier, but we had no guarantees that the materials would be delivered on time so we had to err on the side of caution and organized it a bit later, which was a good decision since the materials did not come until the very last week of October.
 - b. Good things → Students had a great time as usual
 - c. Not so good things
 - i. The answer key did not have the answer so the competition organizer has to sit down with one of our lab instructors to figure out the answers before any of the calculations can be marked, which leads to an un-necessary delay in figuring out the winners
 - ii. Students still found the problems complicated and very hard to do.
2. Over the Counter Product Competition-November 7th from 5:30-7pm
 - a. We had a total of 12 participants and only needed one day to run this event. Things went well, and we haven't heard much feed backs from the students thus far. We are also awaiting results for this competition
3. Patient Interview Competition-November 8th & 9th, 2006 from 5:30-7pm
 - a. We had 14 participants for the competition, and all participated on the 8th of November. Of those 14, five were chosen to go into the videotaped second round on the 9th.
 - b. The tapes have been sent out to the judges and we are awaiting results.

CAPSI SYMPOSIUM-PHARMACIST PRESCRIBING RIGHTS- November 7th, 2006

We changed the format for this year's symposium as well as the time that it was held. Instead of holding it in the evening like in the past 2 years, we decided to hold it during lunch time when more students were able to come. We had two speakers, one who supported and one who was against the issue and we had our CAPSI faculty advisor mediated the discussion. We gave each speaker 10 minutes to present their "side" followed by question/discussion period with the students and faculty members in attendance. The entire lecture hall was filled to maximum capacity and students were even standing in the hallway just to listen since there was no more space left in the lecture hall itself. Students were even taping the event for 4th year students who were on rotations and weren't able to make it to the event.

CAPSI JEOPARDY-November 7th & 8th, 2006 from 12-1pm.

We had an immensely successful Jeopardy this year with the new format. We held it in a lecture hall instead of a small room as in previous years and opened up the event to include an audience so that people can still participate by cheering for their favourite team. This allowed them to participate without having to play the game. We had 8 teams participating, two of which are first-year team, which is excellent because this shows that they are greatly involved in CAPSI events.

NOVOPHARM-CAPSI STRATEGIC PLANNING LEADERSHIP DINNER – November 15th, 2006

We had 33 people in attendance and everyone had a great time. There was a good mix of students from all different years. For students who were attending for the first time, they loved it because there was more focused on current pharmacy issues and legislations instead of student leadership, which may be redundant since a lot of that is done in our curriculum already. Returning students (such as myself and Mattias) we also had a great time because he did change the presentation to make it slightly different from last year. Again, the focus on current pharmacy issues and movements made for good discussion. We will be asking Mr. David Windross to come back again next year, as we had really positive feedbacks from the students and everyone felt that those who missed it this year can benefit from such an event.

VTC Report for December 1, 2006
University of Alberta

CAPSI Awareness Week: September 13th -19th

Wednesday, September 13, Apotex Backpack Presentation 11-12pm

The event went well, we served Pizza 73. I thought Apotex's presentation was going to be longer, but it was really quite short, so we went through the wonderful powerpoint Sandy prepared about CAPSI. It was well received. One student asked for copies of the powerpoints, so we printed them out for him. They were very understanding of the delay in backpacks.

Thursday, September 14, Novopharm Padfolio Presentation 11-12pm

We were able to book the room directly after the 1st year's classes, so we had a captivated audience. We did not order enough wraps to serve everyone. Dianne Bridger had a wonderful set up to ensure the distribution went smoothly in which we would check off names, and Dianne and David would personally hand out the Padfolios to each student. It also enabled us to remind students to pay their Alberta Pharmacy Students' Association fee which includes their CAPSI fees.

Novopharm Leadership Dinner 5:30 to 9:00pm

We had exactly 30 students show up, which was fantastic as the whole room was full. David Windross delivered an excellent speech and the students really enjoyed talking about pharmacy issues. The food was good. Dianne Bridger was slightly disappointed with the food in contrast to last year, so the venue may change. The weather caused a slight delay to the start of the talk, but we still finished on time.

Monday, September 18, PDW Presentation 12-1pm

Mark presented the video on PDW 2007 and talked it up. He also stressed about the CAPSI elections at PDW and that the speaker line up for Manitoba was quite strong. The PDW 2008 organizing committee also encouraged students to get involved with PDW through various positions and advertised a bit about the 2008 conference. About 100 students attended.

Apotex Wine and Cheese 5pm

This is a great event to teach students how to drink socially as well interact with professors and students from other years. This allows students to get to know each other a bit better. Unfortunately we could not get an Apotex rep out. Next year, we should strive to find a better mesh date as well as a larger/cheaper venue as the costs of this event seem to be escalating.

Tuesday, September 19, CPhA Campus Book Tour

In our orientation package sent out to the incoming 1st years during the summer must be updated in order to include this information about the "preorder" as the emailing lists are not set up yet until a few weeks into school. So we had to extend our book preorder online, as a result, the books did not ship in time to arrive for distribution. Recruitment for CPhA membership went excellent. There were quite a few students who joined CPhA. They enjoyed the playing cards (Thanks Jamil). Jody Shkrobot, the CPhA Representative for Alberta, NWT and Nunavut spoke a few words. Carey Lai also made

it out and talked about being Centennial Award Winner, Future Leader Award and New Practitioner Award. Both were empowering the students to get involved. Scotia Bank also talked about their student loan program. There were two presentations, one to the 1st years and another to the subsequent years. It is too hard to find a room to accommodate everyone. Fiona P. would like to see this for future years though.

Monday, September 25, PDW Registration begins

It was confusing as we collected deposits for registration keys, but then the amount wasn't really specified in the email sent out. Next year, I don't think that we would need to collect deposits as long as you take their name and then are able to confirm with the organizing committee. Deposit=hassle. PDW 2008 also was set up a bus sign up to Winnipeg for \$150. The driving takes 18 hours each way.

Wednesday, September 27, CSHP Membership Drive 12-1pm

Good event. Unfortunately the Sandoz rep was unavailable at that time to come. Dr. Cheryl Wiens (President at the time), Dr. Scot Simpson (member) and Adam Gordon (student) spoke. I went through the powerpoint presentation provided by CSHP National. It was a well attended event at 70-100 students and the Safeway sandwiches were a hit.

Thursday, October 5, Roche Diabetes Event 7-9pm

Mark organized this event. He had been working on it for a while. 100% attendance for those people who signed up. It was a good opportunity for students to get a lesson on how their meters work. There was also a talk about diabetes at the end. Perhaps it might be better to talk about the condition before the meters so that it could make more sense. Suggestions for next year, a cheaper venue and more food.

Monday, October 9, CAPSIL Deadline

Submitted an article about pharmacists prescribing. Could not get the statistical information about the students as the lady in charge went on vacation.

Friday, November 3, Compounding Competition

20 teams competed. The winners going onto PDW are Jaclyn Endicott, Hugo Leung, Hiromi Koriyama and Lisa Zieminek.

Wednesday, November 1, CAPSIL Released

Thursday, November 16, OTC Competition

1st: Naomi Franklin 2nd: Matt Dick 3rd: Laura Lammers 16 students participated

Wednesday, November 22, Patient Interview Competition

We had 6 entrants, sent away. We'll see who wins.

Friday, November 24, Deadline for Student Literary Competition

We received 3 entries. The judges are now deliberating

PDW registration continues...

U OF S – Jamil Ramji (CAPSI Sr.) & Kristjana Gudmundson (CAPSI Jr.)

SEPTEMBER

CAPSI Awareness Week

-CAPSI membership drive

- 85 first-year members + 1 previous member = 95% voluntary membership
- 3 new second-year members

-Apotex Backpack + iPharmacist Presentation

- 50 students attended
- Pizza + pop provided

-Novopharm Padfolio + IPSF Presentation

- 40 students attended
- Doughnuts + juice provided

-CAPSI first-year rep elections: 2 students elected – Nevina Valani and Jaris Swidrovich

-PDW 2007 Information Session

CPhA Campus Tour

-students pick up pre-ordered textbooks & memberships during Thurs and Fri lunch hour

-Thursday evening session for 1st and 2nd year students with subs and juice

- 50 students attended

-Friday evening reception for 3rd and 4th year students with Carey Lai

- 50 students attended

-CPhA Centennial Award winner and CPhA Board members spoke on both evenings

PDW 2007

-Kristjana Gudmundson, CAPSI Jr., is chairing the PDW Fundraising Committee

-fundraising efforts started at the end of September with weekly meetings

-initially only 66 spots assigned; NOW – currently have 94 attending (and growing!)

-Professional Development Travel Award

-fundraising activities include:

- Sobey's gift certificates
- Weekly pizza sales
- Candy necklaces at functions put on by the pharmacy & nutrition student society
- Pictures at the Christmas formal
- Silent auction
- Match maker survey
- Selling student discount cards
- Bachelor/ bachelorette auction
- Secret Santa candy-grams
- Still to come: steak night

OCTOBER

OTC Competition

-9 competitors

-third-year students swept up 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes

- Kevin Tam (3rd year student) will be competing at PDW
- Prizes: 2nd place - \$75 Future Shop Gift Certificate (GC); 3rd place - \$50 Earls GC

iPharmacist

- distributed to all CAPSI members
- fourth-year student gave tutorial to 1st and 2nd year classes

NOVEMBER

Patient Interview Competition (PIC)

- 7 competitors
- Lisa Denie and Mandy Goodwin (4th year students) will be competing at PDW

Compounding Competition

- 2 rounds: 6 teams in 1st round, 1 team in the 2nd round
- 4 judges

Student Literary Challenge (SLC)

- 4 competitors

Pharmaciens Sans Frontières (PSF)

- Kristjana Gudmundson, CAPSI Jr., is chairing the PSF Committee
- weekly meetings

DECEMBER

Rx&D Industrial Pharmacy Studentship Program

- CAPSI Senior Rep will facilitate application and interview process

University of Manitoba

Sr. Rep – Glen Pauch

Jr. Rep – Melanie Green

We have had a busy first couple months. With Bobby resigning her position I have moved to the Sr. position, and we now have a new Jr. Rep Melanie Green. As for events we have had: Career and Research Day, CPhA Campus Tour, 1st year welcoming BBQ, Apotex and NovoPharm Presentations to 1st years, CSHP presentation to 2nd and 3rd years, and all of our competitions. So far planning for all events is going smoothly and we had no problems that could not be resolved.

PDW registration is what we are currently looking at. Our school has approximately 80 students registering for the event, at this point. Our faculty is shutting down for the Thursday and Friday of that week, so that all students can come either via full or day registration. We are happy with the interest from 3rd and 4th years, they have over 60 between both classes. However, the 1st and 2nd years seem to be less interested. Last year we only had 2 people from my class, so it may be that people don't know how good this conference really is. We are promoting this event to these classes to try and increase interest and show them what an exciting conference this is.

Overall, we are happy with what we have accomplished so far this year. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at VTC and at PDW!!

Glen Pauch

Melanie Green

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO CAPSI VTC FALL 2006 REPORT

Dear CAPSI National council,

U of T has had a very hectic semester full of activities. To share with you what we have been up to here is a brief description of major events:

- 1) **Phrosh week** – Our 1st week back with orientation for the 1st years. We don't have a membership drive because of mandatory CAPSI membership included in student fees at U of T. But we do have an opportunity to promote CAPSI at the Pharmacy Info Fair where booths of all the organizations/clubs in the faculty are set up and we answer questions. Also we were able to attend the social activities and start promoting CAPSI and PDW by socializing with the first year students.
- 2) **New building opening/Apotex backpack presentation** – Many different receptions happened in September and October to thank the donors for our new faculty building and the CAPSI Reps were invited to attend. At the event for Apotex is where the backpacks were announced to the students (and we had one on display but did not distribute them). Dr. Barry Sherman and Jack Kay were in attendance and Alex gave a speech to thank Apotex for their continued support on behalf of Apotex.
- 3) **CPHA Campus Tour** – This year it was extremely successful. Well-attended and we didn't have to worry about extra books because CPHA had arranged to have them shipped back ahead of time.
- 4) **Wyeth Vitamin Seminar** – Attendance was very good, about 200 students. Also students were happier with the new format of a case-based lecture and gave positive feedback. We posted Dr. Aldoori's power-point presentation on our UPS website so that students can have access to his slides.
- 5) **PDW** – PDW information sessions were held once registration opened to promote PDW to the students. Alex visited the 1st year class separately to answer questions and tell the students about how great Winnipeg is (ie. how much cheaper the hotel is, the great line up of speakers etc.). Currently U of T has about 70 registered students for PDW and we were actually pleased by this because we had anticipated a serious concern over cost of flight. A group rate for flights on Westjet were organized which probably helped. Also, with the fundraising we do during the year we expect to give students about \$100 each as a subsidy.
- 6) **Prescribing Rights Symposium** – Marie-Hélène was able to get 5 speakers and we were very fortunate because our faculty took a big interest in the symposium and our Assistant Dean gave us \$400 to purchase snacks for the symposium and provided us with gifts for our speakers. Attendance was good (around 100 students). The only negative feedback from students was most speakers took the point of view of being against prescribing rights for pharmacists.

- 7) **Compounding competition** – We had an issue where the winning team has only 1 member attending PDW and wants to choose the rest of the team to compete with him since he says he was never given explicit rules regarding the prizes before the competition. Also, there was no list of allowable references included in the material we received so the class rep who organized the competition had allowed the students to bring laptops, we were unsure of what the rules actually were regarding references and it was too late to change this at that point.
- 8) **Patient Interview competition** – Went smoothly, and had interest from all years. Not sure how well our students did with the case though, they seemed to struggle except for the 4th year students.
- 9) **Student Literary Challenge** – Deadline is set and judges are arranged. Seems to be good interest.
- 10) **OTC competition** – to take place December 7th. Everything is in order.
- 11) **Guy Genest Award** – Our winner has been selected. We were very impressed with the quality of applications.

I hope this semester has been successful for everyone. We are really looking forward to seeing you all in Winnipeg!

Respectfully submitted,
Alexandra Marcil
Senior CAPSI Representative
University of Toronto

2006 Mid Year Report for the University of Montreal:

Michel Najm jr.
Francis St-James sr.

1.0 Membership Drive:

During the first week of school, we held a “CAPSI presentation” for first year students explaining what it is, the events for the upcoming year, how they can get involved and exposed the registration details for the upcoming Novopharm presentation. Also an email was sent out inviting 1st years and others alike to sign up to CAPSI. This CAPSI presentation was very well received and really got the word out about CAPSI. We will be pursuing this method of promotion for next year.

2.0 CAPSI registration

We had a total of 137 new members for the first year students. A new registration for a 3rd year student also. According to my records, this would make it the most CAPSI registrations ever at Montreal.

3.0 CPhA and Novo conference:

The CPhA conference was held on September 12th. The guests were Chantal Roy, Jean-Philippe Roy (centennial award 2006) and a student here at University of Montreal. We had a major role in the organisation of this conference and the CPhA people were pleasantly surprised with the amount of registration to CPhA.

The Novopharm conference was held on September 21st and given by Dany Leblanc. His brief presentation allowed us to re-explain what CAPSI does and we proceeded to the actual registration, handing out binders and agendas to all new members.

The conferences went really well and were appreciated by the students.

4.0 Apotex Presentation

This one was not as smooth. We had a lot of trouble in setting a date (we initially planned the CAPSI registration with Apotex on September the 14th but received no confirmation or feedback). A second date was proposed and the conference was set up except we received confirmation at 8h00 the day of. Therefore I had to pull out because it is physically impossible to hold a conference in 4 hours notice. A third attempt on September the 28th was then set up and this one worked out (third time's a charm!). The presentation was very short as they introduced the Ipharmacists. We were unable to distribute the CAPSI bags as we had not received the tags yet. So basically they students had a complimentary lunch. Also I think it is important to note that the rep present was unable to offer us a check for the lunch and three emails were sent out to our local contact before receiving it.

5.0 Guy Genest

In order to give prestige and credibility to this award, we proceeded to the formation of a Guy Genest Committee. This committee was composed of one student from each grade (Marc-André Béland(I), Antoine Atalah(I), Tharmini Joseph(II), Émilie Larivière (IV)), one graduated student (Isabelle Thériault-Dubé), one professor, and both CAPSI representatives. In a number of meetings, we established, with the help of the general guidelines provided by CAPSI National, the application criteria. These were a written interview composed of six(6) questions, 2 reference letters and report card (sorry for lack of better term!). The evaluation and creation of the written interview was based upon several values and qualities: ambition, vision, involvement, care for the profession, personal qualities, and PASSION. The “Guy Genest CAPSI/Wyeth – Passion envers la pharmacie” prize was vastly publicized through in-class presentations, mass emailing and word of mouth. A great deal of interest was generated but some students felt that the application involved a lot of work. The winner (François Duhamel (II)) was very deserving and will be attending PDW to receive his prize

6.0 iPharmacist

The promotion (class presentation, emails) started in mid-October and is ongoing. The coupons were handed out with the Apotex bags for the first year students and were distributed to every class rep so they can help with the promotion.

7.0 Competitions

Much promotion has been put into competition too. Teachers easily accepted our invitation to judge the events and were encouraging our efforts. First competition to occur was the OTC competition on November 15th. We had very few participants because students were passing through the busiest week of the session and only 3 of them took part in the challenge. Never the less, we had a bigger contribution by the students the week after. On the 21st the Patient interviews went on perfectly and there was a very pleasant sense of challenge going on. On the 22nd, the compounding competition gathered 5 teams and the people present (mostly 3rd year students) were very glad to participate in this activity. We could tell by their good comments the next day (a strong promotion for next year). Finally, the literary contest is still ongoing and many students have already shown interest since our announcements.

8.0 Hospital Pharmacy Kiosk Day

In the evening of November 14th, took place the symposium called the CSHP / CAPSI Promotion of Hospital Pharmacy. As you already know, in Quebec the master's degree is mandatory to practice in a hospital. Many hospital pharmacists and interns were present and took place into a dinner-conference and different kiosks promoting their workplaces. The event was open to any student of the Faculty and ended up being a real success with a nice visibility for CAPSI.

9.0 PDW

Unfortunately, the first national wave of inscriptions was set in the middle of our midterms. Very few people were informed of the date at that time and we almost had to drag people personally. Also, not receiving any of the promotional material didn't help. In response, we wrote a very complete information email, in French, that was sent out to everyone. Promotion has been ongoing since the end of our midterms by in-class presentations, lunch hour information sessions, mass emails and word of mouth. A big conference is taking place this year in Quebec City and many people are reserving their tight budget for this conference only. All these factors made it very difficult for us to convince a large amount of people to come with us to Winnipeg. Following the trend from PDW 2007, we have created a sense of urgency to register, so the numbers should be going up in the very near future.

VTC Report
Dominique Boivin, Senior representative
Université Laval

June to September

- Contacts were made with Apotex, Novopharm and CPhA in order to organize the conferences for the backpack, the padfolios and the Campus Tour. Dates were chosen, rooms were reserved, food was ordered and publicity was made. We did the pre-ordered of the CPhA books, and that went very well. We had absolutely no problems at all with distribution of the books. Our only concern is about Novopharm and Apotex's presentation. For the past years, it lasted not even 25 minutes, so it's over before people have finish eating... I'm wondering if they really want to come for the presentation and the distribution of the backpacks and padfolios. Plus, at Laval, we do not distribute the items during the conference, but a few days later. Attendance was very good.
 - o Apotex : September 11th
 - o Novopharm : September 27th
 - o CPhA : September 11th

November

- CHSP conference
 - o The conference was held in collaboration between CHSP and the APES, which is our equivalent of CHSP in Quebec. This was held in the evening of November 16th. 77 students came and the event was really appreciated. Food was very good.

October to December

- Competitions: This year, participation is not as strong as it was the year before, because people are not sure that they want to go to PDW in Winipeg. PIC and OTC competitions were held already. 6 students participated to the OTC competition, and 3 to the PIC. The winner of OTC competition is Marie-Pascale Beaulieu, and we don't know yet who won the PIC.
 - o OTC : November 9th
 - o PIC : November 23th
 - o Compounding : Practice on November 30th and Competition on December 7th
 - o Student literary challenge : Winner will be known by December 14th
- PDW registrations : This year, promotion for the conference has been done as best as we could. PDW has been at Laval 2 years ago and at Montreal last year, and

almost all students went to both... Plus, we are holding a conference on a local level (Montreal and Laval), the COCEP, which hasn't been done for the last 2 years because of PDW being so close to us. Students want to go there. I even had a hard time finding people who wanted to participate to the competitions, because people were not sure that they wanted to go to the conference this year in Winnipeg. So far, we have around 20 students registered, plus at least 6 more from the competitions. 22 people was about the number of people who went to PDW in Vancouver 3 years ago, and it is usually our participation when PDW is far away. I understand the registration problem this year, but I don't know what I could do about it. If flight was free, then it would be easier! As I said before, I'm wondering why all the spots from Manitoba are not sold??? People don't even have to pay transportation? When PDW was at Laval, we wanted more and more spots...

- To promote PDW, we did the same that was done the years before:
 - Presentation at beginning of the year
 - Presentation in each promotion in October
 - Remind deadlines in many classes many times before the end of first wave registration
- For this year especially:
 - We increased the competitions prizes : each winner get to come to PDW free or almost free (CAPSI local pays everything)
 - We organised group booking for flights and buses

Laval already has a lot of lunch conferences, almost every week. This is why we are not holding the symposium.

Jonathan has started working on the handwashing program, and our presentation in schools will be done after Christmas, anytime before spring.

Dominique Boivin

September

- CAPSI Awareness Week September 11th-16th
 - o All week: CAPSI Info booth in the hallway of the College
 - o Novopharm Padfolio Presentation
 - o CPhA Campus Book Tour & Emergency Preparedness Workshop with Barry Power for students and pharmacists (CE Event hosted in conjunction with our local CE Division)
 - o CAPSI Cosmic Pizza Bowl: all you can eat pizza, disco balls and bowling shoes ... what more can you ask for?
 - o CAPSI Trivia Night: Trivial Pursuit-like game with the students group into teams – awesome event
- Apotex Backpack (and CAPSI Pin) Presentation
- PDW 2007 initial meeting and fundraising brainstorming session

October

- EVOLVE Career Fair: showed CAPSI PowerPoint and PDW video at a booth at the annual career fair; had a draw for leftover Novopharm Padfolio
- Dalhousie's Annual White Coat Ceremony – read Student Pledge of Professionalism along with the new first year students
- CAPSIL contest: took entries from fourth year students and entered their name in a draw for 6 students to win an all-expenses-paid trip to our Atlantic Annual Fall Refresher CE weekend
- Patient Interview Competition: new this year – CEUs to pharmacists to help us out with the marking of the competitions ... still had a hard time finding markers but it helped
- Halloween Compounding Competition: team with the best costumes won a prize
- Awarded the Guy Genest Award: application included a CV/resume and 3 letters of support (one from a professor, one from a peer and one from an employer/preceptor). Winner was decided by local awards committee.
- Began fundraising for PDW:
 - o Pie Smash-A-Thon
 - o Assassins
 - o 50/50 ticket sales (ongoing)
 - o Ruffled off tickets to Guns N Roses (which Colleen won!! woohoo!)

November

- Dalhousie hosted the second annual Atlantic Pharmacy Advancement Conference (APAC)
- OTC Competition: gave out extra Apotex backpacks to participants
- Prescribing Rights Symposium, Presented by Kamran Nisar, President of the Pharmacy Association of Nova Scotia - Thursday Nov. 30
- Student Literary Challenge essays due Friday December 1st

CAPSI-MUN

Nov 2006 Videoconference Report

- **Introduction to CAPSI for the incoming class: Novopharm and Apotex presentations. Luke warm feelings about the new bags from the incoming class. Many were familiar with the old 'bigger' bags and were expecting the same bags – they were disappointed in this regard nonetheless. Not ideal for school – but good for other purposes. Nice looking bags though.**
- **CAPSI agendas: Not on time – lack of use due to many other agendas being available when school started. No point in even having agendas made if we cannot roll them out on the first day of class – which is usually the ideal time to get people hooked into using your agendas. They won't switch agendas two weeks down the road.**
- **Novopharm Leadership session – very well attended (40 participants), very positive response from the student body.**
- **CAPSI Career Fair: local effort to help students get the information they need to get on with companies and to allow for networking opportunities for students.**
- **CSHP / CAPSI Symposium: Presentation for CAPSI/CSHP members on Hospital Pharmacy.**
- **CAPSI / NL HSSA Collaborative Presentation: - CAPSI PDW Presentation, Competition information (times, dates, prizes).**
- **OTC, PIC and Compounding Competition**
 - o **Problems with compounding: - missing appropriate sections in the evaluation guide for judges – not updated. Creates more work for local reps.**
Centralization, review and updates to compounding were not up to par. Had
to construct marking sheets to ensure professional look (this was later emailed out to other schools – hopefully it came to good use.).
- **ratiopharm Hand washing Campaign – rollout next semester**
- **iPharmacist: lots of excitement about the coupons.**

PDW: Multiple attempts to get people going.

Main Issue here is that for a good majority of the students APAC was deemed more feasible from a financial standpoint rather than Winnipeg. As well, due to the small student body, a good number of students have attended Montreal PDW. As well, the 2nd year class which usually has strong numbers for attendance at PDW also has Industrial Trip which for reasons of reduced sponsorship has increased in cost. The extent to which each of the above circumstances have contributed to a decline in attendance is uncertain however it is quite plausible that they may be contributing factors towards decreased interest in PDW.

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

VP Communications Report – Jolanta Piszczek
Video Conference
December 1, 2006

Airline Sponsorship

I was in contact with both AirCanada and WestJet to see if a sponsorship of the flights to PDW would be a possibility. I applied for sponsorship through their system, which was a very comprehensive process; however I was informed that CAPSI is not eligible for sponsorship. Upon inquiring, I was informed that although there are many non-profit organizations that use flights as a form of transport, these companies cannot just discount the flight cost no matter how great the cause of the organization is. In order for sponsorship to be secured, we have to offer AirCanada/WestJet something in return, for example media coverage. I was also told that this reciprocal exchange has to be of value to them – for example airing their commercial to a group of future pilots – not an ad in the CAPSI agenda. I was informed by Fiona, the Jr. Rep from UBC that if 10 people book the same flight, they are eligible for a group discount which I believe is 10%. This is something that can be explored in the future.

Sponsorship of the Student Literary Challenge

I have so far contacted and followed-up with 8 companies in quest of a sponsor for the SLC. I have been unsuccessful this far since sponsorship is somewhat a difficulty this year and many companies have experienced budget cuts. Part of the problem was me not having a rolodex or a list of companies and updated contacts. I have been working with Ali Rehany on how to make sponsorship easier, and he is advising me on this matter. I have also been generously sent a copy of the Pharmacy Who is Who Directory by Karen Welds from the Pharmacy Group, and this is in the mail right now. I hope that by having access to more contacts, I can revisit the sponsorship. I also plan to collaborate with the VP Ed., Derek, for his ideas.

CAPSI Club

I have decided to approach companies for CAPSI Club after PDW. This is because I have been asking them for money for the VTC for the past 2 months and I do not want to be redundant. I definitely think that 3 companies are not sufficient for to sustain the operation of CAPSI, especially after the financial burden of the Agendas. My goal is to have 15 companies on board. I feel that this is a reasonable goal just looking at the past (2003 and earlier) sponsorship figures. I wanted to approach the French companies with a French version of the form. I have re-typed a form that was used in 1999, and I am hoping that a representative from a French school can take a look at it and make sure that it is mistake free.

Honorary Life Members

Upon browsing through my “binder” given to me by Janelle, it was brought to my attention that the HLM were invited to a PDW event in 2003. I wanted to invite the HLM to a PDW event again this year, for example the closing dinner. I am sure that most of them will not come, but I thought that it would be a nice gesture. I am wondering if this is something that can be done and would love to know what you think. In addition, my goal is to update the profiles on the website, and I will be requesting this when I send them this invitation/the next correspondence.

Agenda

I believe that last year Janelle handed out letter to vendors at PDW to purchase adds for the Agendas. I am planning to do the same in preparation for the upcoming copy. I have also been in communication with Sophie from DuoCreative, the company who was responsible for approaching companies with advertising propositions. I have decided to work with them again, but this time I plan to approach more of the large companies myself. Since we have a good relationship with them already, it is likely that they will re-submit an ad and this way we would not have to share profits with DuoCreative.

Going Electronic

It has been quite difficult for me to have to search through an archaic binder in order to find the information pertaining to my position. This is particularly the case with finding contacts, retyping letters and forms and asking companies for ads for each issue of CAPSIL. I have decided to create an electronic database that will have all the contacts, template letters and a file folder for ads that we can use for the CAPSIL. This can be updated prn and hopefully will make the life of the future VP Comm easier.

Apotex and iPharmacists

Thank you for all the feedback on the backpacks. I have been in contact with Apotex as they are very keen on having feedback. Please note any iPharmacist issues and forward them to me so I can pass them on. We are really trying to make this program better – for example this year ANY CAPSI member, even someone doing their hospital residency can use the coupon. I am getting a lot of e-mails about the iPharmacist, so this is telling me that there is interest in the program, which is great.

CAPSI Vice President Education VTC Report (June – November 2006)

1. CAPSI Competitions

- a. Patient Interview Competition
- b. Over-the-counter (OTC) Competition

Local cases were developed in August and sent to the Competition Review Committee in early September. Suggestions and revision were made and case was sent out October 1st, 2006. The cases were also reviewed by 2 pharmacists. I have not heard any major complaints about the cases and am awaiting feedback from each school about the cases. Local reps, please mail copies of videotaped PIC (and OTC if available) scenarios to me after your competition is completed. Cases were translated by Marie-Therese Wera very efficiently, awaiting feedback about the quality of translation but I have not received negative feedback or concerns regarding the translation.

- c. Compounding Competition

Contract was signed with Jamie Roche of Medisca in late-July, however, left Medisca promptly after signing the contract. I was introduced to Zach Kramer, our new contact for the Compounding Competition. Unfortunately, Zack had no previous experience with CAPSI or the Compounding Competition, but after frequent communication, the regional case draft was made available in mid-September. Draft was sent to various professors and Competition Review Committee, minor revisions were made. Francis reported that the French translation was very well done. Final case and supplies were shipped to universities in mid-October, arrived at schools in the 3rd week of October. I am currently awaiting feedback from each school.

Issues to clarify for the National competition

- i. Marking Scheme

- A marking scheme was not produced and I will work with Medisca to create one for the National Competition. I apologize for the inconvenience but to deal with the situation, I modified the 2005 marking scheme to fit this year's case.

- ii. To-be-determined (TBD) sections

- I thought the TBD sections in the draft judge's version of the case were temporary and would be changed for the final version, however, the TBD was meant for the organizers to calculate as it depended on the amount of material that each team used.

- d. Student Literary Challenge

I reviewed and modified the rules of the SLC in September, particularly splitting the national \$1000 grand prize into 3 prizes for the top 3 papers - \$500, \$300 and \$200 respectively. Also due to sponsorship concerns, only the national winner will be published in the CPJ, rather than all of the local winners. I contacted last year's national SLC winner to post her winning paper on our website and she agreed. I prepared a suggested topic list as requested at CPhA to help reps encourage students to start brainstorming and thinking about a topic to write about. The SLC Information Guide was sent out to schools in early-October. Submission deadline to me is December 15th, 2006.

2. Operation: Wash-up

I have been in contact with Pam Dosangh of Ratiopharm regarding the hands-washing program. A new French dubbing for the DVD and activity/colouring books were added to this year's packages. Presentation kits were sent out in October. I am awaiting feedback regarding the competitions from local reps. I will compile this feedback and present it to Ratiopharm so I request that **each** school provide me with some feedback and/or suggestions.

3. Fall Symposium: Pharmacist's Prescribing Rights

The Fall symposium information guide was sent out to local reps in September. I would like to hear how successful each symposium was and an estimate of the attendance and interest at each school.

4. Goals and future plans

National PEBC/OSCE study Guide

There was some interest and inquiry about CAPSI providing a study guide for students in early June. I asked reps for contacts regarding their local mock OSCE/PEBC exam preparations. I hope to work on this project in January/February after PDW.

National Competition Preparation

Local reps please send me your feedback ASAP regarding the competitions as I will be developing the national cases in December.

Community Education Initiatives

I hope to start new community education initiatives, possibly working with American pharmacy students to bring some of their programs here.

Signing off (from Squamish, BC),
Derek Lee
VP Education

Sheldon Baines
Vice-President Interdisciplinary Affairs:
VTC Report for Fall 2006

After the CPhA conference, I attended the NHPN (New Health Professionals Network) Summit in Ottawa to discuss the future of health care in Canada with a plethora of other prospective health care professionals. We got a unique perspective on the possible perils of privatized health care from a physician practicing in the United States and had the great fortune to meet honorees at the Tommy Douglas Celebration of Medicare Awards where exceptional and innovative interprofessional practice within the current health care system was recognized.

The majority of my efforts have focused on fostering relations with other professions and organizations to help enlighten them to the role Pharmacy has to play as a vital member of the health care team. I have been actively involved in my local HSSA (Health Sciences Students' Association) chapter as well as on the National level as a member of the Advisory Council for the NaHSSA. They truly value input from Pharmacy and look to CAPSI to learn a lot about how a top notch national association is run. I have been eager to see an HSSA chapter established in Manitoba so there would be an interprofessional student organization at every University with a Pharmacy faculty in Canada, and I am looking forward to attending the NaHSSA annual conference, which will be held in Saskatoon this year (just 2 short weeks before PDW). I have extended invitations to meet with other members of the Canadian Interprofessional Student Network (CISN – formerly known as 'The Link') there to discuss items of mutual interest and increase our interprofessional collaboration.

Although not officially part of my portfolio, I also chaired a committee of my colleagues to flush out the details of the new "CAPSI/Wyeth - Guy Genest Passion for Pharmacy Award". Wyeth has approved the contract we constructed and the initial cheques should be distributed shortly. They have also agreed to supply plaques that we can present to the local winners at our annual Awards Ceremony at PDW. Speaking of which, efforts to increase MUN attendance at this year's conference is ongoing but the cost of flights to get off the island may prove prohibitive for a lot of people that would otherwise love to attend. That ever-present issue was part of the reason why we created an endowment locally to top up the award to \$750 here at MUN. This should help offset some of the cost differences and make it more feasible for the winner to attend PDW, as well as ensure that the award will continue in perpetuity here in Newfoundland, even if outside support should ever dry up.

It has been a hectic but enjoyable term, and I look forward to seeing you all at the VTC and again at PDW! Until then... Take Care & Good Luck!

~Sheldon

Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns
Executive Secretary – Sandy Cheng
Videoconference Report
Friday, December 1st, 2006

General Duties

- Coordinate the internal correspondence of the Association.
- Maintain an accurate and up to date mailing list of all Executive and General Council members.
- Establishes a "Focus List" protocol for discussion over E-mail of various issues that affect the Association.
- Prepare the meeting agendas with the President.
- Compile the meeting minutes, resolutions, motions adopted and directives of all meetings and relevant discussions of the Executive and General Council.
- Distribute minutes and directives to all Executive and General Council in a timely manner after the meetings.
- Coordinate the entire election process and ensure that the election and bi-election protocol is enforced.
- Chair the Membership Committee; maintain the national membership database.
- Participate on the Constitutional Review Committee.
- Review and update the Association's Officer's Manual and Constitution and see that all members of the General and Executive members have copies.
- Participate as an active member of the Executive Council, offering feedback and input on any issues and discussions that arise.
- Attend meetings and prepare and distribute reports at the two Annual Meetings: PDW and the CPhA Conference

Membership Committee

Membership Drives were a success amongst all of the schools. Feedback from the local representatives were positive. CAPSI agendas, Apotex backpacks and Novopharm portfolios were distributed to our members. CPhA Tours were also conducted with success. Also, an effort was made to collect all the email addresses for our CAPSI members so that we could send them updates via email. I believe that email updates would be a good way of keeping CAPSI transparent to our members and keeping them updated. Some email addresses were collected, but at other schools, this was not possible.

Membership Database

I have hired someone to create the 2006-2007 Membership Database. This project will be completed by January 13, 2007.

Official CAPSI Stationary

Official letterheads and envelopes were *almost* printed, however, the store test printed one copy and discovered the logo's quality was too low for such a printing job. I was unable to locate a high quality CAPSI logo since then. Instead of passing this task onto the new secretary, I can complete this task if I can locate a high quality logo.

Executive Secretary By-elections

One candidate has responded. This year I uploaded the speech onto yousendit.com for internet distribution and I scanned the documents to be sent via email. I thought that this way of distributing speeches would be a more efficient and cost effective method compared to the traditional videotape distribution (which would involve costs for copying the tape and mailing it across the country). I believe that it would be feasible to continue this method for all elections in the future. However, further discussion is required, as we would have to review the constitution.

Call for nominations

A call for nominations was placed in the October issue of the CAPSIL. Please encourage your student members to run for Executive positions. I still have not heard from anyone wanting to run, but hopefully with everyone's promotion we will have a good turn out.

VTC Report: CAPSIL Editor –Cynthia Lui – December 1st, 2006

CAPSIL reps:

CAPSIL reps were all chosen/elected by mid-October, except at Laval University where there is currently no CAPSIL rep.

Fall 2006 CAPSIL issue:

The CAPSIL Fall issue was 24 pages. Copies enough for 15% of total school populations (or less) were printed.

Content highlights include:

- Introduction of Executive Council summaries
- Articles about new Pharmaceutical Acts in Canada
- National News: Special Access Program, Smart Pills
- Opinions: Lab Coat, Confidential areas in pharmacies etc
- Summer experiences featured: hospital pharmacy, WHO internship
- Feature Pharmacist: Interview with Kendra Day, Veterinary Pharmacist
- International Pharmacy: two separate experiences abroad in India and Niger
- APhA-ASP column: about their organization
- Faculty profile: applicants/student info in last 3 years

The Fall contest: Make a Pharmacy Crossword Puzzle –please promote.

Format glitch: last minute I had to move the format higher on the page, a few pages have some last lines cut off. Please refer to online version for complete version.

French version due out early December.

Winter 2007 CAPSIL issue: Deadline: January 5th, 2007

Translation Services:

At the CPhA, I had discussed the possibility of applying for a Heritage Canada Grant to help pay for a portion of the translation fees. After speaking with their offices, I found out later in August that newsletters/journals don't apply. The good news is that Dominique was able to get us in contact with another translator who is giving us a great translation rate (more than half the price of most other translators). She has signed a contract with CAPSI to translate 3 issues of the CAPSIL, all the competition materials and the AGM slides for this year.

Liaisons with other organizations:

APhA-ASP: The first article we sent them was written by Mattias Berg as an introduction to the CAPSI organization. The second article was written by me called: Becoming a Pharmacists in Canada, that outlines the pharmacy school programs and admissions process in Canada, in addition to licensing/registration information and a summary of two "hot topics" in pharmacy: Entry Level PharmD in Canada and Pharmacists' Prescribing Rights.

CPJ: The CPJ will be printing Lindsay Cameron's SLC winning article in the Nov/Dec issue of CPJ and will print a CAPSI column article in every other issue. I recommended we print either "The Lab Coat: A Tradition in Pharmacy" or "Reply hazy, Try again later" in the Mar/Apr issue, but this has yet to be confirmed.

International Pharmaceutical Students Federation Liaison—Hillary Adams
Activities since CPhA conference in Edmonton:

--I attended the IPSF annual congress in Australia, while there I participated in a three day training session called "Training New Trainers" prior to the start of the congress.

The purpose of this 3-day clinic was for students from various countries to receive professional training to hone their leadership skills. There were approximately 25 students who took part in the course, representing Australia, Egypt, Finland, Israel, Canada (me!), the US, Japan, Romania and Portugal. (and I know I missed a few countries...). After three days together, we were asked to present to small groups of students attending the conference on the topics we had learned about.

While the aim of this workshop was to train students to bring these leadership training skills back to their respective countries, I felt that a lot of the material was a review for me (and would be for many other students), as we had already covered it in class. However, I do feel that this program will be very appealing for countries that do not have a curriculum such as those we see in Canada. (ie. many countries are just now moving towards patient counseling being a focus of the pharmacist) I am still involved with the "Training New Trainers" program, although further development to the program is slow to occur. If anyone is interested in this program, please email me.

--While at the conference, the issue of the money from PDW 2004 in Halifax being transferred from the CAPSI account was brought up. As I had no idea what was needed to be done about this, Violaine has been handling the issue of the outstanding debt that CAPSI owes to IPSF. Please direct questions to her.

--Since returning to school, I have set up a mailing list with the local IPSF reps at each school. While some schools have been very enthusiastic (hooray UBC and U of T), I have not had any problems with schools not appointing a local IPSF rep. Violaine has also been using the email template to work with the local reps to organize the Student Exchange Program, and as far as I know there haven't been many problems.

--Unfortunately, the materials for the Diabetes Day campaign, which was to be held on Nov. 14th, arrived far too late to be sent out to the local reps. (I received them from The Hague on Nov. 13th!). However, I do believe that UBC still managed to promote the day, so my hat is off to them. (If any other schools did something to celebrate this day, please let me know! I don't want to make anyone feel left out!)

--Fortunately, the materials for World AIDS day arrived an entire week early! Hooray! They have been mailed out to the schools, along with the leftover diabetes day poster and some information about the upcoming IPSF congress in Taiwan in Aug. 2007. (It is my hope that more Canadian students will be interested in attending the conference)

--World AIDS day is Dec. 1st, so hopefully the students will receive the info packages before that day...fingers crossed.

That's all from me, Thanks!

Report for SEO

-CAPSI Membership fiasco :

To explain the story

August 2005 : Jill Daley presents the budget and expenses of the 50th IPSF congress 2004 in Halifax. There is a surplus. Some part of the surplus will go to CAPSI, and the rest will go to IPSF.

Jill states that some expenses aren't included in the budget, like their travel expenses to Germany to present the report from the previous congress.

The budget is voted in GA. Passed.

After august 2005

Jill reimburse some participants who paid to come to the congress but couldn't because they didn't get their visa because of the surplus. She also reimburses herself and the other girl from the Organising committee of the IPSF congress in Halifax.

IPSF wants the rest of the surplus. They are in contact with Adam and Jill, but not me.

I get to Australia to know that Jill hasn't sent the surplus to IPSF (over 10 000 \$), and because it is a huge debt, CAPSI loses their membership. They say they asked a while ago and that they didn't get answer. Jill says it is a lie and that she is angry at IPSF.

Adam writes to Jill, saying she HAS to send the money immediately. She says that because she didn't complete transferring info from the finance officer to send to IPSF, she didn't do it. As well, she is living in another city than the city where was the IPSF 2004 account, as after 9/11 it is more complicated to send more than 10 000 \$ abroad. She claims that her job schedule is very busy and that she has to meet a certain person at the bank and that will wait another week. Adam writes to her, saying she has to do it NOW. She finally does; and after 2 days of not voting in general assembly, CAPSI gets back their membership.

However, the amount from the 2005 GA is 705.32 \$ higher than the amount that is transferred to IPSF in the summer of 2006.

IPSF wants the 700\$. Because it is still a debt, we re-lose our membership.

I ask Jill the reason of the missing 700 : here is her answer

The entire sum of the bank account was transferred to the IPSF Bank account. As has been previously communicated to IPSF/CAPSI, some of the money that was in the account as of the report in Bonn was used to reimburse people for registration fees (people who approached us in Bonn and requested a refund given the fact of the large surplus and the fact we had refunded so many others) as well as the travel expenses related to Bonn (which CAPSI approved

of), wiring fees, etc...We were quite transparent in stating that the Bonn expenses were not included in the budget approved at the G.A....but they did not allow us to 're-do' the budget.

It is unfortunate that they are short ~\$700, but we were quite transparent about this problem and the fact that there was a discrepancy.

It is up to CAPSI how they solve...they may begin by asking for a refund of the money we paid to cover the pre-congress tour with Simon Bell, the expenses related to the accommodations for the F.I.P. President that we incurred, the printer the Exec left with, the voice recorder the Exec left with, the IPSF Flag we created and they left with, etc...these are not typical congress expenses and are purely beneficial to IPSF...not CAPSI or the Halifax congress.

Mattias thinks of asking her to provide bank records to prove what she says.

She answers :

We don't have any of our financial records remaining; they were all shredded as they contained sensitive confidential information of all the conference delegates (ie. delegate social insurance numbers, passport numbers, visa applications, etc...). The last thing in the world we would have wanted was for that information to get into the wrong hands. When all matters were finally resolved, we shredded the documentation. We were not advised re: any financial record retention requirements. Sorry! Best of luck with the problem, Jill

On behalf of CAPSI, I send the explanations of Jill in late September. I don't get an answer and in October I re-sent something again and you got the last answer of IPSF, which is :

I have clarified the situation with the IPSF executive during that year. According to the bookkeeping, the 705.31 dollar has to be paid back to IPSF as it was approved in GA. IPSF exec at that moment could not receive any budget changes after the GA approved it in Bonn, as congress RC has one year to make the changes from the congress in Halifax until congress in Bonn. If there are some amount of money that was used during the congress, it should be reported in GA which in this case it did not happen. Therefore, it is the congress RC responsibility, as the bookkeeping is closed after GA approval and IPSF can not receive any reasons to approve this missing money.

At the moment, IPSF has to suspend CAPSI membership (letter attached, it was sent in August) until CAPSI paid 705.31 Canadian dollars. We will restore your membership as soon as the money is paid.

I hope you and CAPSI can understand the situation. I am looking forward to see CAPSI active in IPSF.

So basically, CAPSI is responsible of any IPSF event that occurs in Canada. The 2004 congress in Halifax made surplus and the amount as stated in GA one year after the congress as to be paid by CAPSI. As Jill doesn't have the money and meanwhile we lost our membership, it is up to CAPSI to reimburse.

I think the money was transferred to IPSF? because now CAPSI student can apply to SEP, and they couldn't a few weeks ago.

SEP :

- there has been great interest again this year. The deadline is December 31st.

-A letter of sollicitation of hosts was sent to all IPSF local CP. If you want the letter to ask a host, please do not hesitate to ask me.

- As well, the IPSF part of the CAPSI website has been updated, so potential hosts can get more info about SEP on it.

- A great effort was made to encourage bilateral exchange this year, because based on the poor number of places we got from last year, we couldn't send many students this year.

- bilateral contracts are currently discussed with some countries. So far, Spain and Egypt have shown great interest in having reserved places for their students. People from Switzerland and Singapore already have asked me for a placement.

As well, I am seeking a place for a student from switzerland who speaks French and a bit of English in Montreal for January. The student already has family to host him, I just need a pharmacy.

-this year, IPSF has put evaluation forms online for students who participate in SEP. I am pleased to say that Canada got good results. Students need to fill the application form to receive their IPSF certificate that they participated in SEP. As well, students from Canada who went abroad were all satisfied of their experience and no major problem occurred.

- I remember you to solicit hosts from any field of pharmacy. Your help is requested !

-I have so far 9 applications from Canada for SEP. I am hoping to get more, though there is always great interest every year, and there is no need to make aggressive campaign to promote it. However, I think we need a bigger advertisement of hosting international students.

-I was invited to the General Assembly of the French Association of Pharmacy students. They meet every 2 months during a week-end (from Friday night to Sunday afternoon). The attendance costs 35 euros, with all included (hotel, food, conferences, participation to activities and open bar !!!). They have a conference or 2 of sponsors during the Saturday to help pay the conference. They have about 250 delegates at every GA. They have 5 GA every year, and they

rotate in volunteer faculty between the 24 school of pharmacies. The ANEPF represents 30 000 students, all of them are members. In every GA every school makes a short report of what they have done as well. Some discussion and votation take place.

They have also one congress per year, that is one day longer, with about 350 delegates. The ANEPF also organises a week of Ski in the ALpes during March, in which hotel, ski, food, activities, drinks are all included for the whole week. The town where I am studying will also organise a similar thing, but during summer with water activites.

During the GA, there was a workshop on international pharmacy and IPSf. I was invited to make a presentation about pharmacy in Canada and in Quebec. Students were pretty amazed by the clinical role of pharmacist, and I am expecting many of them wanting to come to Quebec (as their English isn't the best) for SEP or to immigrate. I got 30 min of questions, and it gave the opportunity for discussion as well. Few students were shocked to learn that some pharmacists can prescribe, with less years of school than them. They were asking how can we be competent.

I got also ideas about the great publications the ANEPF make every year. They make a guide for the pharmacy students, in the different fields of pharmacy, the studies required, the difference per school, etc. They also put all the job opportunities in pharmacy in their country.

As well, they make a guide for the new pharmacy who wants to own a pharmacy. They also publish a guide on drug interactions which is quite good. All their publications are distributed freely to ANEPF members.

I think it is an idea for CAPSI that we can investigate.

-As well, I wanted to propose something for the little number of delegates already registered for PDW 2007. As you might have seen in a previous e-mail, I said I could invite international delegates. I don't think a huge number would come, but it is already a start.

As well, there is the issue that these people aren't CAPSI member, but they pay the same fee as CAPSI member. To explain the situation, before there was a fee to attend PDW that was different for CAPSI members and non capsis members. We decided to make only one fee so coming to PDW would be a benefit of being member of CAPSI. I just want to be sure that the council is ok with the idea before I invite people from abroad. We need to take a decision quickly, before some people need visas to come to Canada.

yours in IPSF

Violaine

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Assistante de cours, Pharmacie : Éthique et bioéthique
Stagiaire Rx & D, été 2006, Schering-Plough Canada

Finance Officer Report

As of first VTC, there are several tasks I have undertaken as Finance Officer. The agenda was solicited for a total of \$26,846.25 by Janelle Fox (outgoing VP Comm and CU Advertising) This is less than \$20,000 than what we have budgeted. I have received all the cheques from companies. The total cost of the agenda is \$25,948.61.. This has produced revenue that is hugely below budget (by about \$20,000).

In addition, CAPSI has invested \$25,000 for a 6-month term GIC with Royal Bank. The investment will mature in March in time for the end of CAPSI's fiscal year.

Currently, I have received membership from the following schools: Alberta, Toronto, Montreal, Dalhousie, and MUN. Please remember to mail a cheque to me at your earliest convenience.

In terms of the budget, we are spending a bit more than expected. I just want to remind people to be diligent with spending, especially when it comes to travel costs to conferences. I have proposed a few budgets cuts, including \$300 subsidy for Juniors.

The Review of engagement is finally finished from the last fiscal year. I have purchased new accounting software, which I believe will make future finance officer to be able to manage the finance much easier.

I will be sending out an updated budget in December. Clinical rotations is taking up much of my time and I am doing my best in keeping up with the paperwork.

If anyone has any concerns, please let me know.

Regards,

Bruce Liao



Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns

VIDEOCONFERENCE EXECUTIVE REPORT

Mattias Berg – National President

General Functions:

- Act for and in the name of the Association.
- Supervise and coordinate and play a primary role in the activities and affairs of the Association.
- Play a primary supportive role in several projects and initiatives.
- Head the active promotion of CAPSI activities to students, industry and the profession.
- Chair and mediate discussion during all meetings of the General Council, the National Executive and General Membership meetings.
- Create agendas, organize council meetings and prepare reports.
- Chair the Constitutional Review Committee.
- Active member of the Finance and PDW Planning Committees.
- Ensure that resolutions adopted by the Association are acted upon and adhered to.
- Initiate, delegate and promote the development and growth of CAPSI
- Responsible for fostering good relations and partnerships with National and International Pharmacy Associations (e.g. CPhA, FIP, etc.).

-CSHP

Attended the CSHP Annual General Meeting in Montreal where I was able to further discussion on the proposed National CSHP Mentorship Program. The CSHP is receptive to the concept, but was apprehensive at the prospect of producing more work for the provincial CSHP chapters. Met with Rosemary Killeen of the CPJ to discuss their potential sponsorship of SLC.

-NHPN

Participated in 2 teleconferences with organization's other Co-Chairs to determine and discuss potential directions for the organization. Will act as interim Chair of NHPN governance committee until a general member is capable of taking over.

-APhA-ASP

Contributed an article to the American Student Pharmacist Magazine which was reciprocated with Daniel Zlott's article in the CAPSIL. Invited the current President-Elect of the APhA-ASP, Brandon Patterson, to attend PDW 2007 although his attendance is subject to the approval of the APhA.

-CFMS

Attended the CFMS Annual General Meeting in Niagara-on-the-Lake. Please see attached minutes below.

-Interview Toolkit

Working together with CAPSI President-Elect Omolayo Famuyide as well as Ross Tsuyuki to collaborate on the combination of CAPSI's Handbook of Interview Questions with the COMPRIS Group's Interview Tool to prepare a working document in time for distribution at PDW 2007. The document has undergone revisions by CAPSI and a second draft is being written as we speak.

-PDW 2007

Acted as an *ex-officio* member of the PDW 2007 organizing committee to promote and support attendance at the conference.

-Apotex

After much discussion with Linda Prytula over CAPSI's concern over the lack of branding, the CAPSI backpack presentations have gone ahead with lapel pins as compromised. This issue will be addressed in future years. The iPharmacist coupons have been distributed with the major difference being that students are able to use their coupon to renew their software subscription.

-CAPSIL

Contributed an article to the first CAPSIL issue of the year.

-Agenda

Contributed a letter to the general membership as part of the CAPSI student agenda.

Joint CFMS, CAPSI and CNSA Meeting

Sunday, October 1st, 2006

Attendees:

Philip Brost, CFMS President

Mattias Berg, CAPSI President

Michael Garreau, CNSA President

Each association introduced themselves and expressed their support and appreciation to be able to begin formal communications between each student association. It was agreed that such communication was imperative and in the best interests for the future of our respective professions.

Topics Discussed:

1. National Health Science Students' Association
 - a. A brief overview was given of the NaHSSA structure and the concerns of various local student societies about the implementation of local HSSA chapters.
 - b. It was discussed what might be the future direction of each respective association. CAPSI and CNSA will be sending their VP-Education or in the case of CAPSI, the VP-Interdisciplinary Affairs to attend the NaHSSA meeting in January 2007. CFMS will review with their executive how they will proceed.
 - c. CNSA will be sponsoring a booth and/or be a bronze sponsor for the conference due to relation with Office of Nursing Policy and the IECPCP initiative. CFMS and CAPSI were asked if they wanted to share the booth.

2. Future Meetings
 - a. Each association discussed how to best proceed in the future. CNSA and CAPSI agreed to waive the registration fee for the respective observer. CFMS will review with executive as to whether the registration fee could be waived.
 - b. All three associations agreed that a standing invite for each association will exist for each AGM (CFMS, CAPSI, CNSA) and BAGM (CFMS).
 - c. The goal will be to organize to meet face-to-face once for the FALL (at the CFMS AGM) and the WINTER (either CAPSI or CNSA). Tentative schedule would be as follows:
 1. 2006 Fall - CFMS AGM
 2. 2007 Winter – either CAPSI or CNSA
 3. 2007 Fall – CFMS AGM

4. 2008 Winter – either CAPSI or CNSA (will depend on where Winter 2007 meeting occurs)

3. Joint Initiatives

- a. Each association discussed how to work collaboratively together in the future. Items that were discussed are as follows:

- i. Article publication in each respective association – All three associations were in agreement. Contact information is as follows:

1. CFMS Pulse Newsletter – Allie Meiwald
communications@cfms.org
2. CAPSI Capsil Newsletter – Cynthia Lui
cynthialui@gmail.com
3. CNSA Connection Newsletter – Heather Burke
communications@cnsa.ca

- ii. Position Statements

1. It was agreed that we would proceed issue by issue. If agreement on topic, then potential endorsement by each respective association. Such topics to be discussed and see if potential for endorsement are:

- a. Pandemic Planning
- b. Tuition Support

- iii. Projects for VP-Education (CFMS – Sonya Abdulla, CAPSI – Derek Lee, CNSA – Colleen Ferris)

1. Various ideas were discussed that each association would work collaboratively on. The CNSA and CAPSI agreed to the pursuing the following and CFMS will review with executive as to if they will participate:
 - a. IPE Symposium – CAPSI to be lead organization
 - b. Attend NaHSSA meeting – each VP-Education or VP-Interdisciplinary Affairs will attend conference to represent their respective profession
2. All three associations will discuss if the following could occur and provide update at the Winter joint meeting:
 - a. National IPE Exchange between the three professions

November 27, 2006

Dear CAPSI National,

Today the PDW 2007 Planning Committee reached a "milestone" - receiving 400 registrations (statistics as of November 24 can be found below). It is no secret that we have been struggling to meet our target of 850 delegates, and we are continuing to ask for your help in addressing the situation.

I have been given every excuse in the book - location, cost, school work, local conferences, etc. While I can certainly appreciate the challenges faced in the promotion of PDW 2007, I cannot simply accept these excuses given the overwhelming support PDW has received in the past years. Perhaps we have lost sight of the fact that the focus of Professional Development Week is NOT the host city, rather what students will gain by attending the conference. We are extremely proud to present over DOUBLE the number of speakers in past years, all of whom are unique, innovative leaders in the field. I feel Stephen Lewis alone is worth the \$150 registration fee and can guarantee his presentation will change the way you think. Aside from the educational sessions at the conference, students have the opportunity to interact with their peers from across the country, which is an undeniably valuable experience.

With the current status of PDW 2007 registration, we face an incredible variety of challenges. In a time when sponsorship is increasingly difficult to secure, there were several companies that have shown overwhelming support for our conference. Sponsors are expecting an audience of 850 students, and if we cannot deliver on this promise it may jeopardize future sponsorship for both PDW and CAPSI. Additionally, we are facing tens of thousands of dollars in penalties for unused hotel rooms as outlined in the contracts with the York and Delta hotels. These very contracts were signed in the best interest of CAPSI members to guarantee the affordability of PDW, with a remarkable rate of \$89.00/night.

Members of the PDW 2007 Planning Committee have invested three years to organize a conference for the more than 3000 members of CAPSI. Please help us ensure the success of the conference by continuing to promote PDW 2007 registration. Time is running out and we need all the support we can get. Please feel free to contact us at any time to address any questions or concerns. Thank you for your efforts,

Adrienne Dufour
PDW 2007 Planning Committee

PDW 2007 Registration Statistics – November 24, 2006

UBC: 45/65 + 9 saved

U of A: 75/98 + 6 saved

*U of S: 87/116 + 9 saved

*U of M: 48/102 + 11 saved

U of T: 73/156 + ??? saved

Montreal: 9/92 + 9 saved

Laval: 21/96 + 9 saved

Dalhousie: 15/58 + ??? saved

Memorial: 6/26 + 8 saved

TOTAL: 379 registered