

UNDSMHS Research Committee
Wednesday, November 16, 2021
Virtual Zoom Meeting

Present: Marc Basson, Don Warne, Gary Schwartz, Seema Somji, Don Sens, Mikhail Golovko, Jonathan Geiger, Ursula Running Bear, Sarah Sletten, Jamie Foster, Masfique Mehedi, Shawnda Schroeder, and Nicole Redvers
 Absent: Ken Ruit, Sarah Sletten, Nadeem Khan

	Summary	Action/Follow-up
Call meeting to order/welcome new members	Meeting began at 2:00 pm via Zoom.	
Approval of minutes from October 19, 2021	There was a motion made by Dr. Geiger to approve the October minutes and seconded by Dr. Schroeder. The motion was approved unanimously.	
Faculty Council Meeting Update	Dr. Foster attended the recent FAC meeting. A facilities representative was at the meeting and updated that no building removal/tear-down would occur over the next 5 years. The first building in the remodel/restructure process will be Twamley Hall, after which Columbia Hall will be considered. It seems to be a 5-7 year plan according to facilities. Dr. Geiger added his discussion with Les Bjorge and comments regarding the CBR and Neuroscience building. Dr. Basson added that the timetables are all best case scenarios based on funding. Additionally, there have no discussion on the demolition of any current building or research related space.	
Frank Low Research Day Update	Dr. Sens advised that it will be nearly impossible to secure a guest speaker to come in person and that Zoom will be the best option. Dr. Basson agreed and suggested also adding in a virtual visit with the school and the speaker, perhaps a virtual lunch with grad students and post-docs. Dr. Sens suggested possibly securing two separate people, one for the keynote speech and another for the school virtual meeting. Dr. Geiger reiterated that we should still consider a Plan B for FLRD and a backup speaker in house, possibly Dr. Warne.	Dr. Sens will reach out to a few potential speakers. Dr. Warne will also reach out to David Wilson.
Other Announcements	No announcements were noted.	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 2:27 pm	

Submitted by Heather Jensen