

ACCADA *NEWS*

Association of Canadian Clinical Academic Department Administrators

Dedicated to the improvement of the administration of Canadian medical schools and their departments through professional management

UPDATE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

Welcome to ACCADA News, this is an opportunity for your Executive to provide an update on various association activities since the last AGM.

The Executive has been meeting regularly via conference call to discuss ACCADA issues and to connect with the fall conference organizers. Here is a summary of what we have been up to.

2017 Conference

The fall ACCADA conference will be held October 4th to 6th and is hosted this year by McMaster University. Registration opened on July 4th so make your plans to attend. If you didn't receive the invite to register, please let us know and we will get you on the list. Also consider who at your university you can invite who may not have attended in the past. We want to extend the ACCADA umbrella to all our clinical department colleagues across the country. The agenda is looking great and our colleagues at McMaster are working hard on all the details to offer a great conference experience. Don't miss it! Visit our website for conference details.

Membership

Again this year you are able to purchase your ACCADA membership when you register for the annual conference. The cost of the conference is reduced for members, so joining is a good financial decision as well as a networking opportunity.

2018 Conference

We are pleased to officially announce the host for the 2018 conference is the University of Alberta! The committee will be making a presentation at the 2017 conference. Thanks so much for stepping up U of A and we look forward to coming to Edmonton in 2018!

2019 Conference

We have confirmed Western University as our host for 2019. Thanks for stepping up again Western!

2020 Conference

We are looking for a host university for our 2020 conference. If you haven't done it in a while, or have never hosted, we can provide you with information and assistance. Those who have done it in the past can tell you that it's fun to organize and well worth the effort. So consider stepping up.

Opportunities to Serve on the Executive

Two of the Executive Team members, Carolyn Sisley and Diane Titley, will have completed their terms this year. So we are looking for volunteers to step into the positions of President and Secretary/Treasurer. This is a great opportunity to get more involved in ACCADA and join Colleen and Angela on the Executive. Terms are for 3 years. Speak to any of the Executive members for more information. Consider volunteering yourself, or convincing a colleague to volunteer! We will be seeking nominations at the AGM.

Website

Angela Lees, our communications director, has been busy over the last few months developing a new ACCADA website. We plan to launch it in the near future so stayed tuned. If there is anything in particular you would like to see on our website please let Angela know.

University Representatives

We would like to have official ACCADA representatives at each member university who would be a contact for our membership director and wave the ACCADA flag encouraging their colleagues to join and attend future conferences. If you would like to be a university representative please let us know. The best way to get more people involved is for you to personally invite them to attend.

AGM

As a professional association we are required to provide financial statements to our membership annually. Diane will be posting the financial statements to the website prior to the annual conference for your review.

If you have any agenda items for the upcoming AGM, please forward them to Carolyn Sisley at Carolyn.Sisley@nshealth.ca .

Your Executive Team:

Carolyn Sisley (Dalhousie) - President

Diane Titley (University of Alberta) - Secretary/Treasurer

Colleen Tinline (University of British Columbia) - Membership Director

Angela Lees (Queen's University) - Communications Director