Brain and Mind  
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes  

December 16, 2015 from 2 – 3 pm  
Room 245A NSC

Present: Mel Goodale, Jessica Grahn, Adrian Owen, Charles Weijer (Rotman), Stefan Köhler, Brian Corneil, Patrick Callaghan, Emily Nichols (Grad), Lorina Naci (Postdoc), and Florence Lourdes  
Regrets.; Daniel Ansari and Jody Culham (on sabbatical)

1. Motion to accept Minutes from last meeting were seconded and approved.

2. Director Remarks:
   
   • OH&S inspection – minor compliance issues pointed out and immediately addressed.  
   • Bids to close soon for new building.  
   • Space Planning Committee motion was seconded and approved. Recommend recruiting additional members to committee (two PIs and one trainee).  
   • Motion to offer Tim Bayne and Lena Palaniyappan BMI Associate appointments was seconded and approved.  
   • Discussion on reclassification of existing BMI core and associate appointments. Consensus to review and reach decision on reclassification at next meeting.  
   • Still deliberating on junior recruitment results – more information in the new year.  
   • Donders exchange program progressing – partnership to be coordinated on a Provost level in latter part of May 2016. Also working on exchange program with Monash.  
   • Motion to sponsor March 2016 conference for women in STEM in the amount of $1000 was seconded and approved.

3. Succession Planning
   
   • To continue discussions in new year.

4. Financial Update
   
   • Cluster funds continue on track – have flagged the ratios for salary/non-salary costs.

5. Postdoctoral Update
   
   • Several PIs approached for mentoring – waiting for confirmation. Recommend coffee talks to be related to postdoc mentoring at least once a month.
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6. Graduate Students Update

- Graduate Updates – no updates at this time.

7. Other Business

- Confirm (with Rotman) pending salary support for Michael Anderson.
- Next Meeting to be rescheduled in early February.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 pm.