1. Exciting times in the Faculty (and the University) as our Women’s Basketball team clinched the Canada West Championships on Friday (Mar 2) evening vs. the other provincial university (i.e., U of S). Congratulations to Dave Taylor, Fatih Akser and the team on the accomplishment.

2. Next week, the University of Regina will be hosting the USport Women’s Basketball Championships. Our women’s team is the host team and will look to capture the title beginning this Thursday (Mar 8) at 6:00 pm. Tournament play actually begins on Thursday at 2:00 pm. Teams will be arriving on Tuesday of this week. If you don’t have your tournament tickets yet, please contact Jill Fulton for details.

3. As a result of the Championship Tournament, there will be extraordinary closures of the track and the FLC at some points beginning Wednesday. A reminder will be sent to the campus community on Tuesday – please watch for this.

4. Finally, a big thank-you to Amy Moroz and Andrea Ward and the rest of the Tournament organizing committee for their efforts in preparing to host this exciting event. The group has worked long and hard to ensure a successful Championship. Thanks also to Tanya Reynolds, Jill Fulton, and Lisa Robertson for their important contributions of to the work of the committee on behalf of the Faculty.

5. Many of the athletic teams wrapped up their seasons this past month. A big thank you to the many athletes and coaches who represented our University well. Good luck to those athletes (in addition to the women’s basketball team) still competing at national championships.

6. A note from Doug this morning: “I am saddened to report to you that one of our sessional instructors, Dr. Corren Bodner, lost her daughter as a result of a tragic automobile accident earlier this weekend. Dr. Bodner and her husband travelled to BC and made the difficulty decision to remove their daughter from life support. Coreen did mention they asked that their daughter’s organs be harvested in order that she provide life to many others. Coreen will be away for a number of days.”

7. If you didn’t see Eric’s note last week, we have a new member of our KHS Business Operations team. Priya Kaushik has joined us for a term appointment to December 31, 2018 while Sophie Wei is on education leave. She comes to us from the Kenneth Levene Graduate School of Business and brings faculty experience and a new perspective to her role supporting our academic programs and advising team. Please stop by to say hello and introduce yourself the next time you are in or near the office.

8. Monday (Today! – although delayed – let’s hope he gets in this afternoon – check for emails from Doug Cripps) (Chungsup Lee) and Wednesday (Tristan Hopper) of this week (March 5 and 7) the Faculty is interviewing two candidates for our open Therapeutic Recreation faculty member position. Open presentations by each individual regarding their research agenda will take place at 4:15 in TBA on Monday and 8:30 am Wednesday in ED 514. Please consider attending and providing your feedback to the search committee Chair (Doug Cripps - KHS.UG-AssocDean@uregina.ca).

9. Interviews of candidates for the second Faculty position (in Human Kinetics) will take place March 14 (Mike MacLellan), March 26 (Trevor Barss), and March 28 (Cameron Mang). Open presentations regarding each individual’s research agenda/activity will be as follows: March 14 – 10:30 in CL 126; March 26 – 15:00 in CL 110; and, March 28 – 14:30 CK 187. You are also welcome (and encouraged) to sit in on a teaching presentation for each candidate as well – these will be at 13:30 in ED 191 on all three days.
Again, please consider attending each of these open presentations and providing your feedback to the search committee Chair (Darren Candow - KHS.GSR-AssocDean@uregina.ca).

10. Our Faculty Research Seminar series continues this semester. Thanks again to Katya Herman for organizing this series. The series resumes this month this Wednesday (March 7) at 3:30 in CK 185. Faculty of Social Work faculty member Randy Johner will be presenting.

11. Make plans to take in some or all of our Faculty Research Day (March 16, beginning at 1:30 pm in CK 191). The event will begin with a keynote by Kim Dorsch and conclude with a social. There are rumours that the rubber chicken will once again make an appearance. The format for most of the presentations with be the 3-Minute Thesis.

12. We have had to make the difficult decision of cancelling our 2018 Study Abroad opportunity scheduled for May of this year. While there was interest from our students, the costs became untenable. We are working on arranging for a Study Abroad course for June of 2019 to Madrid, Spain (tentatively June 5 – 16).

13. The 8th Distinguished Alumni and Awards evening will take place on April 13 (Queensbury). In addition to recognizing our Distinguished Alumni and an Outstanding Fieldwork partner, this year we will also use the event to recognize those students who convoked in the Fall (2017) and those who will be convocating in June (2018). Instead of organizing a separate event (i.e., Brunch prior to Convocation) we determined to use this event as that platform on a move forward basis. As always, proceeds from the event support a local charity and the establishment of a scholarship for Undergraduate students. Please make plans to join us that evening – tickets are now available online at: https://secure.touchnet.net/C22138_ustores/web/classic/store_main.jsp?STOREID=65&SINGLESTORE=true If you are unable to attend, donations to help offset the costs of the evening are also accepted at that web address.

14. Invitations have gone out inviting individuals from our community to join the Dean’s Undergraduate Program Advisory Committee. We will look to have our first meeting with this group later this spring.

15. Our internal working group reviewing our B.KIN Undergraduate program continues their work. They have recently finished a survey of our own faculty members regarding the degree program and, based on that information, will seek to solicit information from our alumni and current students in the coming months.

16. The Faculty presented its budget proposal to the Council Committee on Budget and members of the University Budget team on January 26. The provincial budget will be presented April 10. The Faculty will receive its budget letter sometime in early May.

17. Mock Interviews for our KHS 300 (Fieldwork Preparation) students were held in early February. Thanks to all those who participated in assisting our students by serving as an interviewer. Thanks also to Brandy West-McMaster for organizing the process for the students (and those doing the interviewing). This process is of great value to our students as they prepare for the real Fieldwork interviews.

18. Registration for two important Fall events is now underway. First, our 2nd Sport Nutrition and Training Conference will be held on The conference is Sept 15th and our Clinical and Applied Training Techniques Conference will run on September 16th. The Sunday event will feature our own Patrick Neary and Kim
Dorsch who will be speaking about concussions. It will also feature Lorne Goldenberg, world renown trainer for the Pittsburgh Penguins. Details about both events may be found on our website or on this facebook site:
https://www.facebook.com/pg/2018SportNutritionConferenceRegina/events/?ref=page_internal

19. To register for either event the links are as follows. The direct link to register for the Sport Nutrition Conference is : https://ca.apm.activecommunities.com/uregina/Activity_Search/2260 and the direct link to register for the Clinical and Applied Training Techniques Conference is https://ca.apm.activecommunities.com/uregina/Activity_Search/2261

20. As many of you are aware, APT (URFA) negotiations were concluded successfully in the last number of weeks. A note of thanks to Jennifer Love Green, a member of the APT/URFA negotiating team, for her hard work in getting this work accomplished.

21. This fall, we will again be offering our SRS 381 Intensive Course - International Sport Marketing with a visiting scholar from University of Bayreuth. The course is scheduled to run September 27 through October 3 (primarily in evening during the weekdays and longer days on the weekend). It is already scheduled and available for registration.

22. We are also excited to be offering a new experimental course this fall: SRS 181AA – Junior Practicum in Live Event Production. Geared primarily at our Sport and Recreation Management majors, it is also open to other interested students on the campus.

Hope you enjoy the day, the week, and the remainder of the month. Don't forget to take in some of the USport Championships this week.

Harold