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Report public part of the 203rd FHML Council meeting dated Tuesday 17 June 2025

Present: see attendance list

1 Opening, announcements and adoption of the agenda

The vice-chairman opened the meeting. The new Vice Dean of Education, P. Teunissen, is warmly welcomed and briefly introduces himself.

2a Adoption of the text of the public part of the report of the 202° meeting held on 20 May 2025.

-25.0965o - dated 06-06-25 - report

See the approved version with reference 25.0965/Io.

2b Comments on the public part of the report

On page 1 at agenda item 3, the word "Learning Teach Coach" is incorrect. The correct designation is "Learning Team Coach". The text will be amended accordingly.

3 Announcements Dean

The dean has a positive announcement. On 16 June 2025, she attended the Global Health Advisory Board Meeting and Talk. The consortium of international institutions to the Global Health initiative has now expanded to 10 partners worldwide. It is great to see institutions from different countries and cultures working together at a time of geopolitical tensions.

4 Education and Examination Regulations and Rules & Guidelines Biomedical Sciences and Bachelor Regenerative Medicine and Technology programmes academic year 2025-2026

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The Education and Examination Regulations and Rules & Guidelines of the Biomedical Sciences and Bachelor Regenerative Medicine and Technology programmes are briefly discussed.

Based on the documents presented and the discussion held, the council approves the Teaching and Examination Regulations of the Biomedical Sciences and Bachelor Regenerative Medicine and Technology programmes for the academic year 2025-2026.

5 Education and Examination Regulations and Rules & Guidelines Health Sciences programmes and Master of Science programme Health Professions Education (MHPE) academic year 2025-2026

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The Education and Examination Regulations and Rules & Guidelines of the Health Sciences programmes (with the exception of the Master of Science programme Governance and Leadership in European Public Health) and Master of Science programme Health Professions Education (MHPE) are briefly discussed.

Based on the documents presented and the discussion held in the council, the council approves the Teaching and Examination Regulations of the Master of Science Health Sciences programmes and of the Master of Science programme Health Professions Education (MHPE), academic year 2025-2026.

6 Update on status of mobility plan

In the presence of the project leader, C. Heuts. C. Heuts made a presentation.

C. Heuts indicated that the Executive Board has a dopted a new mobility policy. This policy contains a new vision on mobility, focusing on sustainability and changing employee needs. Important principles include reducing CO_2 emissions and encouraging the use of bicycles and public transport.

Based on data analysis, such as commuting distances and current transport patterns, opportunities to make the policy more sustainable have been identified. Various measures are being taken to promote behavioural change. Implementation of the new policy is scheduled for 1 January 2027. There will be exceptions for specific situations, but the policy will be applied uniformly and fairly as much as possible. Local Consultation (LO) is involved in this process.

It also takes into account the use of apps, reimbursement systems and additional facilities such as charging points. This will be included in the further development of the policy.

7 Housing update

In the presence of Buildings Management FHML, D. Vertommen and R. Bartholomé. D. Vertommen made a presentation. The sheets will be added to the public record with reference 25.0987/I.

D. Vertommen explains the FHML's (strategic) accommodation choices for the coming years. Within Uns40/50, a stack variant for the new central laboratory animal facility (CPV) is being deployed, with central ML-I/II cell and bacterial culture facilities, iPSC stem cell facility, flex spaces, shared meeting rooms and online meeting rooms. Facilities are also being renewed in other buildings: in Endepols Domain 150 (EPD150), the computer landscape is being installed and teaching group rooms are being set up. The building at Debyeplein 1 (Deb1) will be renovated into a research building, in the sense that teaching facilities will be moved elsewhere.

The renovation of Uns50's south wing is largely complete. The replacement of the central E-installation is yet to be done and will take place between 27 and 30 December 2025. During those days, there will be no power and emergency generators will be deployed for certain labs.

The CPV remains an important part of the FHML and will be renovated. The estimate of the preliminary design turned out to be higher than the available budget, so savings options were sought. One of the scenarios was developed further. Substantial savings were made by adjusting the design with regard to large laboratory animals. The original design for small laboratory animals is retained. The functionalities are tailored to the wishes of the research groups involved and coordinated with Maastricht UMC⁺, which pledges structural funding. Thus, the CPV meets the research needs for future-proof preclinical and translational research. Decision-making on the follow-up process is scheduled for September-October 2025. In case of a positive decision, the final design will start in the first quarter of 2026.

Finally, it is reported that as part of hybrid working, 400 health and safety-proof sit/stand places have already been realised and central meeting facilities are now available in all buildings. The full roll-out of hybrid working will be completed by spring 2026.

8 FHML Council meeting schedule academic year 2025/2026

The meeting schedule was adopted unchanged.

The chair informed the student delegation that the annual dinner of the council was planned in October 2025, which would also include a farewell to the outgoing (student) members.

9 Upcoming agenda items

There were no subsequent agenda items.

10 Any other business

A councillor inquires about the criteria and assessment procedure for promotion to UD and UHD. When asked, the vice-dean indicated that there were no signs that the introduction of Recognition & Valuation (E&W) was complicating the process. It was agreed that the vice-dean would give an update on the policy at the next council meeting.

When asked, the vice dean of education explained that the evaluation of the new GEN curriculum takes place at different levels. Students provide feedback after each block so that timely adjustments can be made where necessary. In addition, the curriculum as a whole is evaluated at an integral level to identify broader trends and areas for improvement. Moreover, an external visitation is planned for autumn 2025.

A councillor noted that collaboration between researchers often requires a so-called Data Transfer Agreement (DTA). On the FHML side, this is done through the FHML's AVG process, and on the hospital side through the CTCM. The councillor indicates that these processes are regularly slow. The FHML director recognises the signals and explains that on the FHML side, two new staff have recently been appointed to support and speed up this process. In addition, a broader process is underway to optimise the handling of DTAs on both the FHML and hospital sides.

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