

MEMORANDUM

To: All Faculty and Staff, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry

From: Janice Deakin

Copy: Schulich Decanal Selection Committee; Deans; PVP;
USC Executive; SOGS Executive; UWOFA Executive

Date: February 6, 2015

Re: Re-appointment of Dean Michael Strong

It is my pleasure to announce that **Dr. Michael Strong** has been re-appointed to a second term as Dean of the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, beginning July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021. Dean Strong's re-appointment was advanced at the recommendation of the Schulich Decanal Selection Committee, which has now received the formal endorsement and approval of the President and Board of Governors.

The recommendation to re-appoint Dr. Strong enjoys the unanimous support of the Selection Committee and reflects an endorsement of Michael's leadership that emerged through the process of an External Review conducted last November by Drs. Thomas Marrie (Dalhousie), Gavin Stuart (UBC), and Sam Weiss (Calgary). Among the External Reviewers' substantive comments and recommendation for re-appointment in their final report, Michael was commended for "providing strong leadership and invoking substantive change over the past four years within the School," adding that his "commitment to enhancing research excellence is uniformly recognized across the School and by academic partners."

Together with the Selection Committee, I am satisfied that Michael enjoys the broad support of his colleagues within the School, leadership at the School's institutional partners, his decanal colleagues, senior university administration, and Western's campus community at large. I am confident he will continue to provide creative and effective leadership for the School, and ask you to join me in congratulating Michael on his re-appointment.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank members of the Decanal Selection Committee (John Capone, Charmaine Dean, J.B. Orange, Nadine Wathen, Robin Walker, Greg Dekaban, Brian Taylor and Matt Quinn) and all faculty, staff, students and administrative leaders who provided their counsel throughout the review process.

