Script for Slide Show – October 2, 2016

Slide 1 – Hair

Put on screen while room is calming down.

Slide 2 – MSAC Facility from 12th & Heather

**Hello, Everyone. This is the story of my time at MSAC from August 2001 until last month. In 2001 I was a Family Medicine Residency Coordinator, and I visited MSAC to organize a Resident BBQ. I fell in love with the facility, and applied for the Manager’s job as soon as it became vacant.**

Slide 3 – Nancy in 2007 and 2009

**For my first 10 years at MSAC I was the only staff person on site, except for one cleaner. There were 100 students in each class. We started videoconferencing in 2007 and somehow I managed to become the on-site technician. I worked from 9:30 am to 7:30 pm, 10 hour days, 4 days per week.**

Slide 4 – Nancy at MAA AGM 2007

**I was also the administrative assistant to the Medical Alumni Association, and was the point of first contact for all inquiries to the Faculty of Medicine from their alumni.**

**Here I’m giving the MSAC Report at the Annual General Meeting, describing the new videoconference system with a logo I designed.**

Slide 5 – Nancy at MAA AGM 2009

**Two years later, the Medical Alumni Association awarded me Honorary Alumni status. That means that as long as I pay the yearly MAA fee, I can get an MSAC access card, and work out in the gym.**

**Slide 6 – Subsequent Years**

**Over the next years, we celebrated MSAC’s 20th birthday. I helped the MUS create a bronze statue of Dr. Hardwick. We increased our videoconferencing capabilities to 3 rooms, and I attended every Spring Gala concert and Medical Ball. One year I received a standing ovation from the medical students at the Hooding Ceremony in the Chan Centre.**

Slide 7 – Fully Employed

**The class sizes were getting larger, the number of MSAC events increased, and the technical requirements were at the limit of my ability. I was the only staff person at MSAC, responsible for the building, security, and all events.**

Slide 8 – MUS of 2009

**I gave up working for the Medical Alumni Association, and the Office of Alumni Affairs was created. The Alumni Offices now at MSAC were then a medical student Boardroom, and a medical student Computer Room.**

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**Then I learned about the WorkStudy program for students and conceived of the MSAC Ambassador program.**

Slide 9 – First Ambassadors

**First-year medical students Farrah and Dan were hired to help me run the MSAC in the evenings. It was a great relief to share responsibility of the MSAC building. At this time MSAC was broadcasting 160 videoconferences during the school year and the technical equipment was not sophisticated. We carried around projectors and portable screens.**

Slide 10 – Pizza Boxes

**Another successful year passed, and the MSAC event count seemed to always be at an all-time high. I approached my administrative supervisor, Anne Campbell-Stone, and together we found a way to bring in a hero to make the MSAC run at top efficiency.**

Slide 11 – Nancy and Scott

**Scott -- our hero!**

**I gave up my office of 10 years, in exchange for normal working hours. And I became the MSAC Administrative Branch, and Scott was Client and Technical Services. Scott was glad to work afternoons and evenings, and became the public face of MSAC to the students.**

Slide 12 – Scott Composite

**Scott steadied events and made the videoconference systems reliable. He kept the office going in the evenings when medical students were at MSAC. He dressed up and went to the Galas and Med Balls with me, and he did countless jobs throughout the MSAC into the night.**

Slide 13 – Scott & Ambassadors

**Scott also began supervising the MSAC Ambassadors. Here are Jamil and Julia who worked in 2013-14.**

Slide 14 – MSAC Team

**MSAC was full-steam-ahead after Scott’s arrival. Numbers of student events continued to climb, and the building was improved since I had enough time to focus on other parts of my job portfolio.**

Slide 15 – Jon’s Slide

**MSAC Ambassadors have been vital to the ongoing success of MSAC. They are strong participants in MSAC’s success. All Ambassadors went out of their way to embrace the happy, welcoming and exciting MSAC story.**

Slide 16 – Ambassadors

**Both Scott and I want to thank all the Ambassadors for their assistance and friendship. Vivien and Khalil last year, Jonathan and Ronnie, Julia and Jamil. And before Scott was hired – Claire and Jimmy, Isabelle and Anees,**

**and Farrah and Dan.**

Slide 17 – Videoconferences

**Scott and I were able to improve and advance the videoconference and technical systems. The last 5 years have been a time of progress, success and prosperity for the MSAC.**

Slide 18 – Team MSAC

**Here is the team that was working at MSAC during this time:**

**Dr. Hardwick at the helm, Scott and I taking care of MSAC issues,**

**Anne Campbell-Stone being MSAC Administrative Supervisor and the Director of Alumni Affairs,**

**and Marisa and Kira ran the Office of Alumni Affairs.**

Slide 19 – Nancy

**I also personally prospered along with the MSAC.**

Slide 20 – Nancy Personal

**I was able to keep up my fitness with weightlifting and aerobics. I did a daily cartoon for more than 5 years. This year I was inducted into UBC’s 25 Year Club, which means I get free parking forever on the UBC Campus.**

Slide 21 – Just Desserts

**One of my most cherished awards was given to me by the Medical Undergraduate Society, as the most helpful staff person in the Faculty of Medicine. I won this twice: in 2007 and 2014.**

**Also the students from the Class of 2011 gave me a special award at the Medical Ball in 2009.**

Slide 22 – Princess Auto

**But the most fulfilling work I did was to help medical students each day. Here I am thrilled to have found the right Allen Key at Princess Auto in Coquitlam. It was to tighten the bolts on the weight machines in the MSAC gym.**

Slide 23 – Groups

**I was delighted by the many student groups that formed and events that were initiated while I was MSAC Manager.**

Slide 24 – Play

**In 2002, two students suggested putting on a play, and it became a tradition of which I have been very proud to assist.**

Slide 25 – More events

**How happy Dr. Hardwick was to hear the MSAC fill with music. The events at MSAC over the last 10 years have realized the dream he had in the 1980’s to create a social & recreational centre for medical students.**

Slide 26 – More events

**MSAC has grown, and also has been stable, in being able to continue good initiatives, such as the Hip Hop group and MedYoga. And, it is forever a place where we welcome a good mixer!**

Slide 27 – MUS

**A special thank you from me to the MUS. Over the years, the MUS has been part of the team that works with Dr. Hardwick, Scott and me to support student initiatives, create healthy policy and watch over MSAC affairs.**

Slide 28 – Bhangra

**Of all the clubs, my favourite is the Bhangra Dancers. They bring joy and liveliness into the MSAC. They are inclusive and welcoming, and have given me great happiness to watch, listen and assist every year.**

Slide 29 – Other Students

**All medical students who have passed through the gates of MSAC were a privilege to meet and to serve. I have been inspired daily by the stories we shared and the work we did together.**

Slide 30 – Mind Map

**I drew this mind map to tell myself how many things a medical student has on her mind at any time. You are outstanding people – talented, skilful and intelligent – and you chose to serve mankind. For this I am humbled and grateful.**

Slide 31 – Dr. Hardwick

**To have been able to work with Dr. Hardwick is a great life blessing. He is truly wise, insightful, intelligent and aware.**

**To assist with his great dream of MSAC and the service it provides to medical students was my honour.**

**Dr. Hardwick is the greatest man I have ever met.**

Slide 32 – Team

**Scott, Dr. Hardwick and I were your MSAC team, dedicated to medical students. We were vigilant towards the physical facility: its walls and roof, its plumbing and wiring, its furniture and equipment. We monitored spending and funding, we created policy, and we always sought to increase student use and enjoyment of the MSAC.**

Slide 33 – Appreciation

**In return, Scott and I have received such appreciation from the students. We are overwhelmed to receive cards such as this one from last Christmas. Your personal thoughts and thanks fill our hearts with happiness.**

Slide 34 – Thanks for Thanks

**Scott and I both thank all the medical students for letting us be part of your life, letting us work beside you, and helping us to enjoy the MSAC ourselves.**

Slide 35 – NS

**After working 42 years I am retiring to Nova Scotia where I was born and grew up.**

Slide 36 – House

**I have a lovely little house with nice back deck just up the street from my mother who is 94 years old. I also have relatives in town. If you want my address, I have it some on cards to hand out today.**

Slide 37 – Kevin

**But after all these plans were in operation, I started a relationship with Kevin, who I dated back in the 1970’s. This would be like you in your 60s marrying someone you first met in medical school.**

**So now I will go back and forth to Vancouver until Kev retires.**

Slide 39 – Scott

**Scott will still have to work a few more years. I hope if he asks you, that you will give him a good reference for whatever job he wants to apply for next.**

Slide 40 –

**That’s it!**

**Let’s thank Amanda, Khue-Tu, the singers and all the others who worked to put together this event.**

**Thank you all very much.**