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Welcome aboard

At the Annual Meeting of Members on November 9, 2017, the Foundation for Advancing Family Medicine (FAFM) welcomed Mr. Tom Berekoff, Dr. Roch Bernier, and Dr. Peter Newbery as its newest directors. The previously existing officers will continue for a one-year term: Dr. Catherine Cervin, Chair; Dr. Marie-Dominique Beaulieu, Vice-Chair; and Dr. Jeanette Boyd, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer. The Board is planning a retreat in March 2018 to set the stage for the FAFM's ongoing success. We look forward to the year ahead with our new team!



Tom Berekoff



Dr. Roch Bernier



Dr. Peter Newbery

FMF 2017 a fundraising success!

We are thrilled to share the results of our fundraising efforts during Family Medicine Forum (FMF) 2017 in Montreal, Quebec. Over the course of four days we successfully raised \$28,590 through a variety of events and with the help of numerous College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) staff and members. Here is the official breakdown:

- ♦ \$12,685 – Walk With the Docs (Besroux Centre fund)
- ♦ \$6,115 – Silent Auction
- ♦ \$4,450 – Section of Teachers Dinner (Family Medicine Education fund)
- ♦ \$3,090 – Section of Researchers Dinner (Family Medicine Research fund)
- ♦ \$2,250 – Awards Gala raffle

We offer enormous thanks to all involved who helped us maximize our reach at the conference, and to those who generously donated. Special thanks go to the CFPC member, who would like to remain anonymous, who donated the beautiful diamond earrings for the annual Awards Gala raffle.

Awards Gala an evening to remember!

On Friday, November 10, 2017, the FAFM co-hosted the second annual Awards Gala with the CFPC. Award and grant recipients from all career stages in family medicine were acknowledged, including recipients of the Early Career Development Awards; the Patient's Medical Home 60/20 Caring and Compassion Grants; the Northern, Rural, and Remote Family Practice Marco Terwiel Award; and one Family Physician of the Year from each province. It was a fun evening, complete with dining, dancing, and honouring those making strides in Canadian family medicine. Please view our album of highlights at www.facebook.com/foundationforadvancingfamilymedicine.



Another successful Silent Auction

We extend heartfelt gratitude to the organizations and individuals, both returning and new, who made our 2017 Silent Auction a success through their generous support. Special thanks to all FMF delegates and attendees who took the time to stop and peruse the eclectic catalogue, and to everyone who placed bids.

Donor organizations

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New walk, same champions

After 12 years of the Walk for the Docs of Tomorrow, the FAFM decided to rebrand the annual event, held in conjunction with FME, and redirect the funds raised to advance family medicine globally. The shift to Walk With the Docs — Advancing Family Medicine Globally resulted in a boost in fundraising, extended friendraising, and increased awareness of the Besroure Centre. A priority initiative for the FAFM, the Besroure Centre's vision is to lead the way in creating a world where no one is left behind when it comes to accessing high-quality family medicine.

In the early morning hours of Saturday, November 11, 2017, more than 100 participants laced up and walked through downtown Montreal

to show their support for family medicine as the foundation of health systems around the world. Together we raised \$12,685! Once again, members of the Family Medicine Interest Group (FMIG) from Memorial University of Newfoundland proved themselves as skilled philanthropists, raising \$4,200 and coming in first place (for the fifth Walk in a row!) in our annual FMIG contest. As a result, they took home the Walk trophy, team jackets to add to their growing collection, \$1,000 to put toward a FMIG initiative, and bragging rights.

Special thanks go to Fairmont The Queen Elizabeth for rewarding all Walk participants with a lovely breakfast at the end of their route. Check out highlights from this year's Walk here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LIFHBLn94VI>.

Staff support!

As we reflect on our successes from the past year we must acknowledge the incredible staff of the CFPC. Through a variety of initiatives throughout 2017, including payroll donations and special in-office activities, CFPC employees donated a total of \$16,236 to advance family medicine initiatives in Canada!



Give the gift of good health and good health care

More than 400 million people around the world have no access to primary care or a family physician. The Besroure Centre aims to improve access by sharing networks and expertise with partners and communities around the world to advance family medicine globally. Since December 2017 we have raised \$6,356 as a result of CFPC President Dr. Guillaume Charbonneau reaching out to members of the CFPC and FAFM Boards and encouraging each of them to give a gift. Please consider following his lead and lend your support to the Besroure Centre. To donate online please visit <https://fafm.cfpc.ca>. For more information, please visit www.cfpc.ca/The_Besroure_Centre.

Find us online

We are pleased to launch a brand-new website!

Our new site allows users to easily access information about the Foundation, the Honours and Awards program, the Honour Roll, our fundraising priorities, ways to donate, and much more in one place. Please visit us at <https://fafm.cfpc.ca> to check it out!

