
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

School of Medicine & Health Sciences

Faculty Assembly

Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 30, 2013 ♦ 5:00 p.m. ♦ Ross Hall Room 101

FACULTY PRESENT: Akin, Esma; Jeffrey Akman; Alexander, Lisa; Bayat, Elham; Berg, Patricia; Berrigan, Michael; Bocchino, Joseph; Brindley, Paul; Caputy, Anthony; Chiamello, Anne; Cobbs, Elizabeth; Cohn, Rhea; Costello, Ellen; DeLeo, Allison; Dimri, Goberdhan; Ekmekci, Ozgur; El-Bayoumi, Jehan; Firmani, Marcia; Flory, Andrea; Fu, Sidney; Gaba, Nancy; Goldman, Ellen; Griffith, James; Han, Zhiyong; Harwood, Kenneth; Hawley, Robert; Herrmann, Debra; Hertelendy, Attila; Jonely, Holly; Kennedy, Katherine; LaMantia, Anthony-Samuel; Latham, Patricia; Lee, Norman; Litvack, Zachary; Lucas, Raymond; Mallinson, Trudy; Maring, Joyce; Martin, Lisa; McCaffrey, Timothy; Mendelowitz, David; Mintz, Matthew; Ojong-Ntui, Martin; Rentas, Carol; Robinson, Sean; Ruckert, Elizabeth; Sarvazyan, Narine; Schwartz, Arnold; Sidawy, Anton; Seigel, Sich, Jeffrey; Mark; Siegel, Robert; Silver, Sylvia; Simon, Gary; Sotelo, Tiffany; Toma, Ian; Trad, Karim; Vail, Marianne; Wassermann, Alan; Weglicki, William; Wen, Leana; Werling, Linda; Wright, Karen; Zeman, Robert; Zheng, Xiaoyan; Zhu, Wenge;

OTHERS PRESENT: Professor Steve Charnovitz (Parliamentarian)

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. by Dr. Akman.

1. Approval of April 4, 2013 SMHS Faculty Assembly Minutes. Approved by voice vote.

2. Election of Parliamentarian. Professor Steve Charnovitz from the School of law was elected by unanimous vote.

3. Introduction of Executive Committee Members. Robert Hawley, Chair of the Executive Committee, introduced current members.

4. Approval of Executive Committee Member and Officers. Joyce Maring was approved by unanimous vote to serve as Health Science Chair representative as a replacement for Cathy Turley. The following officers for the Executive Committee were approved by unanimous vote:

- Chair: Robert Hawley
- Vice Chair-Clinical: Michael Berrigan

A Vice Chair-Basic/Health Science still needs to be identified.

5. Executive Committee Report. Robert Hawley, Chair of the Executive Committee, provided a brief overview of the matters discussed since the last meeting of the Assembly.

6. Bylaws Amendments Approved. The following changes to the SMHS Bylaws were proposed to the Assembly by the Executive Committee; they were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

X. FACULTY ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

B. Standing and Special Committees

2. Standing Committees

a. Committee on MD Program Admissions.

The Committee on MD Program Admissions shall be responsible for making decisions regarding accepting students into the MD program and shall make decisions according to the rules and standards for the selection and admission of students.

The membership of this committee shall consist of up to ~~twenty-four~~ **twenty-eight (24 28)** voting members, ~~ten~~ **twelve (10 12)** of whom are nominated by the Executive Committee. The Dean shall appoint up to ~~eight~~ **ten (8 10)** additional faculty who may vote, with approval from the Executive

Committee, and appoint four (4) medical students, with two (2) from MS II, and two (2) from MS IV as voting members. Additionally, the Dean will appoint up to two (2) residents as voting members. A quorum for this committee shall be defined as nine (9) voting members of which a majority are faculty.

7. Approval of Changes in Standing Committee Membership. The following changes to the membership of Standing Committees were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Appointment, Promotion and Tenure

Henry Kaminisky (Neurology; AY14, 15, 16); Naomi Luben (Pediatrics; AY14, 15, 16)

Committee on Undergraduate Medical Education Curriculum

Chair: Perry Richardson to replace Matt Mintz.

Juan Reyes (Medicine; AY14); Bud Weiderman (Pediatrics; AY14, 15, 16); Charles Samenow (Psych. & Behav. Sci.; AY14, 15, 16); Andrea Flory (Medicine; AY14, 15); Claudia Ranniger (Emerg. Medicine; AY14, 15, 16); Susan Ceryak (Pharm. & Physiol.; AY14); Jan Krum (Anat. & Regen. Biology; AY14, 15, 16)

Health Sciences Curricula (All AY14, 15, 16)

Daniella Drago (Clin. Res. & Leadership); Marcia Firmani (Clin. Res. & Leadership); Jannette Krum (Anat. & N Regen. Biology); Margaret Plack (PT & Hlth Care Sciences)

Health Sciences Student Evaluation (All AY14, 15, 16)

Susan Leach (PT & Hlth Care Sciences); Guy Lotrecchiano (Clin. Res. & Leadership); Karen Wright (Physician Assistant Studies).

Masters & Doctorate Graduate Programs

Anne Chiamello (Anatomy and Regenerative Biology; AY14, 15, 16)

MD Program Admissions Committee

- Dean's Appointments: Esmā Akin (Radiology; AY14, 15, 16); James Elliott (Pathology; AY14, 15, 16); Robert Hardi (Medicine; AY14, 15, 16); Raymond Turner (Medicine; AY14, 15, 16); Diane McQuail (Ex Officio); W. Scott Schroth (Ex Officio); Devin Patel (Medical Student; AY14); Michael Simon (Medical Student; AY14); Marcus Williams (Medical Student; AY14)
- Executive Committee Appointments (All AY14, 15, 16): Kirsten Brown (Anat. & Regen. Biology); Allan Goldstein (Biochem. & Molec. Medicine); Rosalyn Jurjus (Anat. & Regen. Biology); Angelike Liappis (Medicine); Jocelyn Rapelyea (Radiology); Jeffrey Sich (Microbiol., Immunol., & Trop. Medicine).

Medical Student Evaluation (All AY14, 15, 16)

Susan Bathgate (Obstetrics & Gynecology); Philip Iorianni (Surgery); Anthony Caputi (Neurological Surgery); Travis O'Brien (Pharm. & Physiology); Eindra Khin Khin (Psychiatry & Behav. Sci.).

Research

David Scalzitti (PT & Hlth Care Sci; AY14, 15, 16); Marcia Firmani, PhD (Clin. Res. & Leadership; AY14, 15, 16); Ajit Kumar, PhD (Biochemistry and Molec. Med.; AY14, 15, 16); Sally Moody, PhD (Anatomy and Regen. Biology; AY14, 15, 16)

8. Search Committee Reports. Dean Akman provided a brief report on searches that were recently completed and the status of ongoing searches for chairs and leadership positions.

9. GWU Faculty Senate Report. Anton Sidawy, SMHS Senator, provided a report on a recent visit to the Senate by the chair of the Board of Trustees, Nelson Carbonell. Mr Carbonell has concerns about the way shared governance is practiced at GW and he plans to lead a review of the Faculty Code with a promise to involve the faculty. Dr. Sidawy noted the challenge for the Senate of dealing with nonconcurrences in promotion

and tenure and reminded the Assembly of the important role played by departmental APT Committees. He also provided updates on GW initiatives in China as well as campus smoking and diversity policies.

10. Faculty Affairs Report. Ray Lucas provided an overview of the upcoming Faculty Forward Survey that will be sent to most full-time SMHS faculty in November. The survey provides insight into faculty engagement and satisfaction and will be useful in planning faculty development initiatives and preparing for the LCME visit.

11. Dean's Report. Dean Akman provided an update on the C06 project in Ross Hall and noted that the first faculty will move into new lab space on December 4. He also provided examples of recent successes in recruiting faculty to the SMHS and reported that development of the revised M.D. curriculum was proceeding at a good pace.

12. Introduction of New Faculty. Dean Akman invited new faculty to rise and introduce themselves.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey J. Sich, Ph.D.