
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

WASHINGTON, DC

**School of Medicine & Health Sciences
Executive Committee of the Faculty Assembly**

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 23, 2015 ♦ 4:30 p.m. ♦ Ross Hall 643

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Berrigan, Gary Simon, Anton Sidawy (phone), Robert Hawley, Joyce Maring, Margaret Plack, Colleen Roche, Lawrence D'Angelo (phone)

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeffrey Akman, Vincent Chiappinelli, Joseph Bocchino, Mark Batshaw (phone), Alan Wasserman, Raymond Lucas, Robert Miller, Robert Shesser, Jeffrey Sich,

ABSENT: Robert Zeman, Narine Sarvazyan, Eric Hoffman, Lisa Alexander, Imtiaz Khan, Joan Butler, April Barbour, Ester Roberts, Richard Simons, Ellen Costello

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.
2. Provost Steven Lerman provided an overview of the challenging 2015 and 2016 University budgets and an update on changes being considered in faculty governance of the University. He then responded to questions from Committee members.
3. The minutes of the March 26 meeting approved unanimously.
4. Update on Searches: Dr. Lucas
 - Cancer Center Search – Search near conclusion. New director hopefully in place July 1.
 - Ortho Chair Search – In negotiations with top candidate.
 - CRL – Work of search committee continues.
 - Assistant Dean for Student Affairs (0.3 FTE) – Internal search; applications being received.
5. Dean's Report: Dr. Akman
 - Congratulated Bob Miller for his article recently published in *Nature*.
 - Grant received from NIH to support Washington, DC Center for AIDS Research.
 - Renewal of CTSA grant from NIH is still pending.
 - Diploma ceremonies upcoming: May 16 for Health Sciences and May 17 for M.D. program. The Surgeon General will be speaker at MD ceremony.
 - Meetings on the strategic alignment of SMHS, MFA, and GHU Hospital continue with assistance of consulting group.
 - Dr. Bocchino announced that Dr. Lisa Alexander was stepping down as PA Program Director and as Chair of the Department of Physician Assistant Studies. Dr. Karen Wright will be serving as Program Director and new Interim Chair will be announced soon. He also noted that the PA Program will launch a new curriculum with the entering class and that the District of Columbia Area Health Education Center, supported by HRSA, will be shutting down.
 - Reminded chairs and faculty leaders that access to annual report system is now open and that this is an important faculty function as the LCME standards require that medical school faculty prepare annual reports.

6. Report from the University Faculty Senate. Nothing to be added to remarks by the Provost.

7. Proposed Changes to SMHS Guidelines for Appointment, Promotion and Tenure. This item was tabled until the May meeting. Members who have concerns, but who will not be able to attend the April meeting in person, were asked to send written comments or a designee to represent their concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Sich
Executive Director, Faculty Affairs

Meeting Dates for 2015

All Meetings in Ross 643

2015: May 28, June 25, July 23, August 20, September 15 (Tues.), October 20 (Tues.),
November 17 (Tues.), December 15 (Tues.)