
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

WASHINGTON, DC

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

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 26, 2015 ♦ 4:30 p.m. ♦ Ross Hall 643

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Berrigan, Margaret Plack, Gary Simon, Robert Zeman, Robert Hawley, Joyce Maring (phone), Narine Sarvazyan, Lawrence D'Angelo

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

ABSENT: Anton Sidawy, Eric Hoffman, Lisa Alexander, Imtiaz Khan, Joan Butler, April Barbour, Colleen Roche, Jeffrey Akman, Robert Miller, Ester Roberts, Richard Simons, Ellen Costello

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm.
2. The minutes of the February 26 meeting approved unanimously.
3. Update on Searches:
 - Cancer Center Search – In negotiations with top candidate.
 - Ortho Chair Search – Still discussing to candidates.
 - CRL – SKYPE interviews have been held with several candidates; applications still being received.
 - Expedited assistant/associate dean searches – Drs. Berger, Lucas, Mintz, and Norris were all recommended by the committee and their appointments have been approved by the Provost.
4. Dean's Report: Dr. Chiappinelli for Dr. Akman
 - A group of researchers from GW and Children's led by Anthony LaMantia and Sally Moody have received a \$6.2 million Program Project Grant from NICHD/NIH to study the pathology and treatment for pediatric dysphagia.
 - 100% of M.D. students in Class of 2015 matched in the residency match.
 - 100% of GW residency program slots were filled in the match.
5. Report from the University Faculty Senate. Dr. Simon reporting:
 - AT last meeting a report was received on faculty demographics and the change in the number of tenure-track faculty positions in the University.
 - The process for meeting new open access policy for journal articles is still in the works.
 - Work on proposed changes to the Faculty Code continue.
6. Update on Nominations: Elections at SMHS Faculty Assembly on Monday, March 16, 2015. A report on the nominations received was presented.
7. Proposed Changes to SMHS Guidelines for Appointment, Promotion and Tenure. This item was tabled until the April 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.

8. Proposed SMHS/MFA/GWU Hospital Social Media Policy. The sense of the Executive Committee was to return the policy draft to the drafting committee with a request for the following issues to be addressed:

- SMHS faculty, staff, and students should be warned about implying that personal pages on social media sites (Facebook, etc.) are not official GW or SMHS pages. This can often happen simply by listing GW as your place of employment or institution from which you received a degree: the GW logo automatically appears and there is the appearance of an endorsement.
- In several places, such as section on patient information, the phrases “should not or shall not” are used. Clarification is required and it is not clear if actions are prohibited or not.
- Clear references to GW policy on social media are needed.
- The document is focused exclusively on medical students and physicians. This should be remedied by referring to other professionals and professional organizations.

9. New Business: Creation of an internal search committee for a 0.3 FTE Assistant Dean for Student Affairs position. Approved by unanimous vote as was motion to conduct vote on committee membership by an e-mail vote of the Executive Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Sich
Executive Director, Faculty Affairs

Meeting Dates for 2015

All Meetings in Ross 643

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