

Medical Center Caucus of the University Faculty Senate

Minutes of the 17 February 2005 Special Meeting

Senators: Adi Haramati (presiding), Robert Clarke, Rhonda Friedman, Priscilla Furth, Karen Gale, Jeanne Larsen, Marko Moscovitch, Joseph Verbalis

Excused: Kevin Cleary, Karen Gale, Robert Glazer, Gabby Hauser, Sonja Malekzadeh, Susette Mueller, Anne O'Donnell, Dorothy Anne Richmond Kathryn Sandberg, Aziza Shad, Shyrl Sistrunk, , Kathryn Taylor, Joseph Verbalis, Leslie Walker.

Meeting was called to order at 11:30 am.

This special meeting was called to determine whether we, as a caucus wish to respond in writing to the document developed by the BGRI Working Group. Adi described the recent COMCA meeting and meeting prior to that of the Faculty Relations Committee of the Board.

There was considerable discussion of the sense expressed by several senators that they were co-opted by the process of the working groups. A number of senators felt strongly that they would not participate in any more committee meetings if their presence on the committee was deemed by the EVP and the Sr VP as constituting tacit approval for the restructuring plan.

It was agreed:

- 1) there should be ground rules for the new Committees and the Committee members should have adequate information to support decision making
- 2) the BGRI Director position should be an interim one, and the Associate VP for Research/BGRI Director positions can be the same for now.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.