

## Medical Center Caucus of the University Faculty Senate

### Minutes of the 8 March 2005 meeting

**Senators:** Adi Haramati (presiding), Kevin Cleary (minutes), Robert Clarke, Rhonda Friedman, Jeanne Larsen, Karen Gale, Robert Glazer, Marko Moscovitch, Dorothy Anne Richmond, Kathryn Sandberg, Kathryn Taylor, Leslie Walker.

**Absent:** Priscilla Furth, Gabriel Hauser, Sonja Malekzadeh, Susette Mueller, Anne O'Donnell, Aziza Shad, Shyrl Sistrunk, Joseph Verbalis.

**Guests:** Michael Lumpkin.

Meeting was called to order at 11:35 am.

1. New committee appointments were discussed. Jeanne Larsen was recommended as a nominee to the Senate Nominating Committee.
2. The elections were discussed. The nomination forms will be put online as was done last year. There was some discussion of the GU Hospital Faculty nomination form. It was decided that the wording "full-time faculty member" should be replaced by "an appointment on either of two tracks (clinician educator or scholar track) for at least one year prior to signature".
3. A motion was made that the nominees have to be from the same constituency. This motion was unanimously approved and the nomination forms will be updated to reflect this.
4. Adi suggested that nominations be open from March 14 to March 28. He also suggested that we end the elections on April 29. These suggestions were accepted by the caucus.
5. Dr. Bondurant met with the Caucus to seek advice and inform the group on two matters: 1) committee members for new committees and 2) leaders of the four sectors. There are four new committees that have been proposed:
  - a. Metrics and incentives (for laboratories, centers, and departments)
  - b. Structure and function in basic science departments
  - c. Structure and function in clinical departments
  - d. Graduate studies

Dr. Bondurant also hopes to form a separate committee looking at long term planning (3 to 5 years ahead or more). He would like the Caucus to make two appointments to each of these four committees.

Dr. Bondurant next discussed the leadership of the four sectors, which will involve three new responsibilities:

- 1) implement the plan to balance the budget by FY07
- 2) oversee any necessary mid-course corrections
- 3) collaborate with other sectors to support each other

In the case of the current three sectors (Nursing, Lombardi, Medical School), these responsibilities will be added to their current responsibilities and their titles and terms of appointment will remain the same. For the fourth sector, a three-year appointment is being considered.

One issue was raised with Dr. Bondurant. It was noted that the current Dean of Research is also the chief scientific officer of a publicly traded company. The Caucus asked Dr. Bondurant to consider whether this represents a conflict of interest under University rules.

6. Adi asked that people interested in the committees mentioned above email him as the charters have not been formed yet and it was decided that it was premature to recommend nominees at this point.
7. The Fiscal Affairs Committee will be resurrected and two nominees are required. The nominees were Robert Glazer and the chair of the Medical Center Caucus.

Meeting adjourned.