The Faculty Senate

April 3, 2014

The Faculty Senate will meet on Friday April 11, 2014 in the State Room, 1957 E Street, N.W., seventh floor.

PLEASE NOTE: this is the meeting at which the annual Senate photograph of elected Senate representatives, the President, Provost, Secretary and Parliamentarian is taken. This year, the photograph will be taken at 2:15 sharp on the first floor staircase of the Elliott School, so those participating are asked to be there promptly.

The Senate meeting will convene as soon as this is done at 2:25 p.m. in the State Room.

AGENDA

1. Call to order

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on March 21, 2014 (minutes to be distributed)

3. A RESOLUTION TO UPGRADE INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS SEEKING TO REGISTER FOR COURSES (13/6) (Resolution 13/6 is attached.)
Professor Robert Harrington, Chair, Educational Policy Committee

4. Introduction of Resolutions

5. Discussion of recommendations from the Faculty Governance Task Force
Nelson A. Carbonell, Jr., Chair, GW Board of Trustees

6. Report on the status of the Lyterati Project (Faculty Annual Reporting System)
Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs Dianne Martin

7. General Business:

(a) Nominations for election of faculty members to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee for the 2014-15 Session, Professor Scheherazade Rehman, Convener:

Nominee for Executive Committee Chair: Professor Charles A. Garris (SEAS)

Nominees for the Executive Committee: Professors Miriam Galston (GWLS), Marie Price (CCAS), Joyce Pulcini (SON), Sylvia Marotta-Walters (GSEHD), Anton Sidawy (SMHS), and Paul Swiercz (SB)

The nominee from the Milken Institute School of Public Health will be announced at the meeting.

Note: As the Elliott School of International Affairs will not hold its Senate representative election until late April, the Nominating Committee will put forward the name of a nominee for the Executive Committee from that School at the May Senate meeting.
(b) Nomination for election of faculty members to the Dispute Resolution Committee:

Professor Kurt J. Darr as Chair for a one-year term

Professors Lowell Abrams (CCAS), Kurt J. Darr (Milken Institute School of Public Health) Hugo D. Junghenn (CCAS), and Leo C. Moersen (SB) as Committee members for three-year terms ending April 30, 2017

(c) Nomination for re-appointment by the President of Professor Steve Charnovitz as Parliamentarian for the 2014-15 Session

(d) Annual Reports of Senate Standing Committees

(e) Report of the Executive Committee: Professor Robert J. Harrington for Professor Scheherazade Rehman, Chair

8. Provost’s Remarks

9. Chair’s Remarks

10. Brief Statements (and questions)

11. Adjournment

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Secretary
A RESOLUTION TO UPGRADE INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS SEEKING TO REGISTER FOR COURSES (13/6)

WHEREAS, students deserve adequate information before registering online, and

WHEREAS, faculty seek motivated and prepared students for the courses they plan to offer, and

WHEREAS, students may wish to know whether their own interests and major concentrations will be advanced by courses they would choose, and

WHEREAS, faculty teach best to students who have selected courses appropriate to their interests NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

That faculty are encouraged to submit to the Registrar one of three kinds of information about each course to be offered the following semester:

- A draft syllabus for the upcoming term, clearly designated as tentative and subject to revision before the course begins, or
- a syllabus used in a previous version of the course, clearly marked as subject to change, or
- a form provided by the Registrar including such information as the course aims in a paragraph briefly describing what students will be expected to learn.

Faculty Senate Educational Policy Committee
March 25, 2014