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FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES April 7, 2022

INVITEES/ATTENDEES

Officers/Rules Committee	Voting Members-		Non-Voting Members-	
Pavao, Richard (Chair)	Aronowitz, Jesse	Mitchell,Amir	Abbott, Mary	Lane, Mary Ellen
Sadasivam, Rajani (Vice Chair)	Barsamian, Nancy	Moore, Phoebe	Ahn, Mary	Lanzillotti, Patricia
Munro, James	Blehar, David	Parida, K/Shuamte, L	Berryman, Jennifer	Larkin, Anne
Walker, Amy	Bolon, Daniel	Peterson, Kenneth	Chakrabarti, Parth	Linstedt, John
	Chu, Sherman	Plasse, Mechelle	Collins, Michael	Luzuriaga, Katherine
	Curtin, Carol	Pryciak, Peter	DeMarco, Deborah	Maki, Kristen
	Fantasia, Jennifer	Reboldi, Andrea	Dickson, Eric	Mandrekar, Pranoti
	Francis, Michael	Richmond, Jillian	Duncan, Marlina	Mattocks, Kristin
	Garwood, Elizabeth	Sharif, Rifat	Fain, James	McMaster, Erin
	Hamar, Benjamin	Slosar-Cheah, Magdalena	Florence, Roxanne	Piorun, Mary
	Hamzei—Sichani, Farid	Song, Jie	Flotte, Terence	Popkin,Joel
	Kakouros, Nikolaos	Trivedi, Meghna	Gottlieb, Amy	Rosal, Milagros
	Kamil, Syed	Wessolosky, Mireya	Gustafson, Michael	Vitello, Joan
	Korostelev, Andrei	Wolfe, Scot	Hayes, John	
	Learnard, H/Agnello, E	Wylie, Falgun		
	Lin, Haijiang			

Dr. Pavao called the meeting to order.

BRIEF DISCUSSION AND VOTE: MINUTES

Having determined a quorum was met, the meeting minutes from March were approved.

STANDING REPORTS

Chancellor Update

This week, we had the NECHE accreditation team visit which is an event that happens every 10 years. It was a very terrific visit. The team who visited was very detail oriented and we were able to fulfill their needs for information. Before they departed, they had lots of wonderful things to say about the campus.

There are some areas that they'll be asking us to focus on. They noted our intense commitment to diversity. They were very impressed by the strategic plan and how much we have accomplished as a result of that. They are very confident in the financial well-being of the institution. Those were the big issues that were raised in the accreditation visit 10 years ago so they believed that we have addressed those very well.

I am grateful for the hundreds of members of the community who participated in this. Provost Flotte was instrumental, Dr. Larkin, who was in charge of the committee, Dr. Ahn was a superstar, and our Deans Lane and Vitello were outstanding. Vice Chancellor Marlina Duncan was a superstar. Thank you to Dr. Michael Kneeland and Ashton Gunn who did all of the behind-the-scenes work.

The team has 6 weeks to develop a draft of their report and we will have the chance to correct any factual errors. I will share the outcomes of the drafts and the action plan. We should all feel very proud of how the visit went.

This week, news of the 2022 Non-Unit Salary Increase Program came out. We wanted to let folks know that we recognize the impacts of inflation, and it was important for us to act. I have been pleased with the positive responses to this news.

We have revised the strategic plan. It now reflects that we have received a major gift and that we've added the sixth pillar which is a commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. We will continue to provide updates.



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UMass Chan donated funds to the Manny267 foundation to purchase "Manny Tubes" for Worcester police officers to carry in their cruisers so they can respond to drownings in honor of Manny Familia who died last year trying to save a teenager from drowning in Green Hill Pond. We're also sponsoring swimming lessons for children in the community through the Greendale Branch of the YMCA in Worcester.

Next week, we will be announcing 8 new endowments which will go to endowed chairs. Right now, we have 61 endowed chairs.

Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs Update

Dr. Ahn gave a brief presentation with OFA updates. Presentation here.

GSBS Curriculum Committee Update

Dr. Mandrekar gave a brief presentation. Presentation here.

Establishing Translational Molecular Therapeutics Institute

Dr. Esteves gave a brief presentation. Presentation here. A motion was made to endorse the proposal. The motion was passed unanimously. The proposal will now advance to Executive Council for their endorsement.

Meeting adjourned.

FACULTY ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES

Dr. Ahn gave a brief presentation on the T.H. Chan School of Medicine Bylaws. Presentation here.

Meeting adjourned.