MINUTES
485th MEETING OF THE FACULTY SENATE
3:00 pm, Wednesday, February 19, 2020
School of Medicine | Mary Elizabeth Garrett Board Room | MRB 103

Mmes: Messrs:

ABSENT: Bennett, Boss, Campbell, Carr, Cormack, DeZern, DeZube, Dirckx, Duffield, Kim, Margolis, Merkel-Keller, Pierorazio, Seymour, Stevens, Zeiler
Mmes: Messrs:

REGULAR GUESTS: Drs. Clements, Skarupski
Mmes: Bruder, Guy Messrs:
GUESTS: Mmes: Anton, Carter, Ruckman, Seymour, Williams Messrs: Daniels; Drs. Rothman, Douglas, Rosen, Thomas

I. Welcome. Dr. Mahesh welcomed the Senate members and guests.

II. Approval of the minutes. The minutes of the 483rd and 484th meetings of the Faculty Senate were presented. A motion was made, seconded and minutes were approved as distributed.

III. Andrew Douglas, PhD, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, KSAS; Faculty Mentoring Award Presentation to Dr. David L. Thomas. The event was to present the JHU Provost’s faculty mentoring award to Dr David L Thomas of SOM. After a brief description of the award, Dr Douglas presented the award to Dr Thomas for his commitment to mentoring and guiding others.

IV. President Ron Daniels, Johns Hopkins University; Ten by Twenty Listening Session. Dean Paul Rothman briefly spoke about the four key priorities and the 10 goals of the Ten by Twenty vision, then introduced JHU President Ron Daniels. President Daniels spoke about several goals and initiatives including: The Agora Institute, Precision Medicine Analytics Platform (PMAP), reduction of opioid deaths in Baltimore, continued and growing commitment to undergraduate programs, review of PhD programs, commitment to diversity across JHU, Hopkins Local, AI in medicine and employee benefits. A highlight is the Bloomberg Distinguished Professor (BDP) Program with 47 selected and 2-3 expected this year to achieve 50 BDPs, and with the plan to develop collaborations working on AI and data science with health focus across schools and departments. He acknowledged the strides JHU has made to accomplish these goals and the ongoing efforts to improve efficiency and foster wellness/Joy in Medicine at JHU-SOM. 2026 marks the 150th anniversary of the Johns Hopkins University. A new strategic plan is anticipated to mark this occasion. President Daniels responded to a number of questions/comments/suggestions provided by the faculty senate members. Acknowledging a number of challenges President Daniels expressed interest to forge forward with new strategic plan for the future.

V. Antony Rosen, M.B.Ch.B., Vice Dean for Research, Co-Director, Johns Hopkins inHealth; JHU Research Roadmap. Dr. Rosen presented the roadmap for JHU research. Some items include - select, support and deploy emerging scientific opportunities, facilitate new collaboration and synergistic scholarship, make discovery easier-space/systems, generate new resources and improve efficiency of current resources. Highlights included support for advances in measurement, computation, analytics, connectivity and deployment of “One University” opportunities. Research Development Teams to support assembly of large, complex grants to reduce burden on investigators and focus on science. Highlighted the value of core coins to the individual, the core and the overall research ecosystem.

VI. Anne Seymour, MS, Director of Welch Library, Blair Anton, MLIS, MS, Associate Director for Informationist Services; Welch Medical Library: Expert Services, Broad and Deep Digital Resources. Details on the many resources that Welch Library offers to faculty and staff that are free were provided. Highlighted the availability of a team of Informationists (Information Experts and Specialists) assigned to aide faculty in their research via a consulting office on Zayed 7 or availability to reach out any faculty at their department or division. Presented summary of considerations for negotiating with commercial publishers to equalize the “subscription ecosystem”. Senators are asked to review the proposal with their departmental faculty and discuss at next month’s meeting.

With no further announcements, Dr. Mahesh thanked everyone and adjourned the meeting at 5:04 PM.
The Faculty Senate will meet next on March 18, 2020 in The Mary Elizabeth Garrett Boardroom (MRB 103).
Respectfully submitted,

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Faculty Senate Secretary
Monica Guy
Recording Secretary