

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Washington, D.C.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE FACULTY SENATE HELD ON
NOVEMBER 9, 2012 IN THE STATE ROOM

- Present:** Provost Lerman, Registrar Amundson and Parliamentarian Charnovitz; Deans Dolling, Feuer, Goldman, and Guthrie; Professors Acquaviva, Barnhill, Brazinsky, Briscoe, Castleberry, Dickinson, Fairfax, Garris, Hamano, Harrington, Helgert, Kim, McAleavey, Newcomer, Parsons, Sidawy, Stott, Swaine, Williams, and Yezer
- Absent:** President Knapp, Interim Dean Akman, Deans Barratt, Berman, Brown, Eskandarian, and Johnson; Professors Cordes, Dhuga, Dickson, Greenberg, Lantz, Rehman, Shesser, and Simon

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:18 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting held on October 12, 2012 were approved as distributed.

“A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE PROCEDURES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FACULTY CODE WITH RESPECT TO DEAN SEARCHES” (12/4)

Provost Lerman called upon Professor Castleberry, Chair of the Senate Executive Committee. Professor Castleberry said that several editing changes were made by the Committee on Professional Ethics and Academic Freedom to Resolution 12/4 as circulated with the agenda, and he sought the unanimous consent of the Senate to introduce a substitute Resolution 12/4 incorporating these changes. He also noted that the substitute Resolution was circulated to the Senate electronically several days before the meeting.

Professor Parsons objected, asking why the substitute could not be considered at a future meeting when the Senate had had more time to review it. Professor Garris, Chair of the PEAFC Committee, responded to this concern by saying there was no tremendous need for urgency, and he thought consideration of the substitute Resolution could be deferred to a future meeting. He also characterized the changes made by the Committee as minor and offered to explain each of them to the Senate during debate. Professors McAleavey and Castleberry both confirmed that the changes made to Resolution 12/4 did not amount to substantive changes.

Discussion followed on the parliamentary strategies that could be followed, one being to introduce the Resolution as circulated with the meeting agenda and amending it as necessary to reflect new language in the substitute Resolution, and the other to consider the