

**THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Washington, D.C.**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE FACULTY SENATE HELD ON
DECEMBER 14, 2012 IN THE STATE ROOM**

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:14 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Professor Helgert advised that the \$13 million cost estimate in the November report of the Physical Facilities Committee for renovation and construction of the Superdorm was incorrect. The correct amount was provided after the meeting by Dean Konwerski, who reported the cost at approximately \$130 million. The Senate approved the addition of this information to the meeting minutes, and the minutes of the meeting held on November 9, 2012 were approved as corrected.

CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

Because a quorum was not present at the beginning of the meeting, Professor Castleberry requested and received unanimous consent to change the order of the agenda so that items 5, 6, and 7 could be presented as the next items of business.

CAMPUS SMOKE-FREE INITIATIVE

Vice President for Human Resources Sabrina Ellis made a brief report. As planned, GW's intent to launch the Initiative was announced on November 15. The announcement was the culmination of many months of activity in which students were involved. Ms. Ellis also indicated that she had met with the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate and the Joint Committee of Faculty and Students to discuss plans to achieve a smoke-free campus.