

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Washington, D.C.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE FACULTY SENATE HELD ON
JANUARY 11, 2013 IN THE STATE ROOM

Present: Provost Lerman, Registrar Amundson, and Parliamentarian Charnovitz; Deans Barratt, Dolling, and Johnson; Professors Acquaviva, Barnhill, Brazinsky, Castleberry, Dickinson, Dickson, Fairfax, Garris, Greenberg, Hamano, Harrington, Kim, Lantz, McAleavey, Parsons, Shesser, Sidawy, Simon, Stott, Williams, and Yezer

Absent: President Knapp; Interim Dean Akman, Deans Berman, Brown, Eskandarian, Feuer, Goldman, and Guthrie; Professors Briscoe, Cordes, Dhuga, Helgert, Newcomer, Rehman, and Swaine

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Provost Lerman at 2:17 p.m. At the suggestion of Professor Castleberry, Provost Lerman sought and received the unanimous consent of the Senate to stand and observe a moment of silence in honor of President Emeritus Lloyd H. Elliott, who served for 23 years as GW's President and passed away on January 1, 2013. Professor Castleberry also included comments in the Executive Committee Report about President Elliott's years of dedicated service to the University, which is included with these minutes.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on December 14, 2012 were approved as distributed.

RESOLUTION 12/4, "A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE PROCEDURES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE *FACULTY CODE* WITH RESPECT TO DEAN SEARCHES"

Professor Garris, Chair of the Committee on Professional Ethics and Academic Freedom, noted that a revised Resolution 12/4 was distributed with the meeting agenda. He briefly reviewed the Senate's discussion of the Resolution at the November 2012 Senate meeting, and noted that several helpful suggestions were made. At the December Senate meeting, the Committee presented an alternate Resolution. Amendments were made and approved, but due to the loss of a quorum, the Resolution as amended could not be adopted.

Professor Garris briefly summarized the Senate discussions about Resolution 12/4 by reminding everyone that the Resolution was basically intended as a matter of housekeeping, in that, when Resolution 90/9 was adopted by the Senate, the *Faculty Code* was not amended to incorporate its provisions. Prior to 1990, all Dean Searches were conducted by the faculty in accordance with the *Code*, by committees of tenured faculty. Over time, the view developed that Dean Searches should be more inclusive and include various