

**Faculty Council**

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**FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

January 7, 2021

**INVITEES/ATTENDEES**

<u>Officers/Rules Committee</u>	<u>Voting Members-</u>			<u>Non-Voting Members-</u>	
<b>Pavao, Richard (Chair)</b>	Abramo, Kristin	<b>Francis, Michael</b>	Peterson, Craig	<b>Abbott, Mary</b>	<b>Lane, Mary Ellen</b>
<b>Sadasivam, Rajani (Vice Chair)</b>	Aronowitz, Jesse	<b>Garwood, Elizabeth</b>	<b>Peterson, Kenneth</b>	<b>Berryman, Jennifer</b>	<b>Lanzillotti, Patricia</b>
<b>Ahn, Mary (Secretary)</b>	Blehar, David	<b>Hamar, Benjamin</b>	Reboldi, Andrea	<b>Chakrabarti, Parth</b>	Larkin, Anne
	<b>Bolon, Daniel</b>	Ionete, Carolina	<b>Slosar-Cheah, Magdalena</b>	<b>Collins, Michael</b>	<b>Linstedt, John</b>
	Botkin, Naomi	<b>Kamil, Syed</b>	<b>Song, Jie</b>	Dickson, Eric	<b>Luzuriaga, Katherine</b>
	Carlisle, Anne	Korostelev, Andrei	Trivedi, Meghna	Fain, James	<b>Maki, Kristen</b>
	Cataltepe, Oguz	<b>Long-Bellil, Linda</b>	<b>Walker, Amy</b>	<b>Florence, Roxanne</b>	<b>Mandrekar, Pranoti</b>
	Chin, Emily	Michas, Maria	Wessolosky, Mireya	<b>Flotte, Terence</b>	Mattocks, Kristin
	<b>Chu, Sherman</b>	<b>Moore, Phoebe</b>	<b>Wolfe, Scot</b>	<b>Gottlieb, Amy</b>	<b>McMaster, Erin</b>
	<b>Dick, Karen</b>	<b>Munro, James</b>	<b>Wylie, Falgun</b>	Gustafson, Michael	<b>Piorun, Mary</b>
	<b>Faustina, Misha</b>			Harnois, Deborah	<b>Popkin, Joel</b>
				Hayes, John	Vitello, Joan

Dr. Pavao called the meeting to order

**BRIEF DISCUSSION AND VOTE: MINUTES**

Having determined a quorum was met, the December minutes were approved.

**STANDING REPORTS**

*Chancellor Update*

Dr. Collins announced that, after the events at Capitol Hill, the Employee Assistance Program is available to anyone who was affected by the events of the day.

Dr. Collins announced that Dr. Flotte has been working on the vaccine for employees of the Medical School. Invitations will be sent to those who are eligible to receive the vaccine.

Dr. Collins & President Meehan co-authored an op-ed in the Boston Globe about building a vaccination corps to administer the vaccine to more people. Article can be found here. <https://www.bostonglobe.com/2021/01/02/opinion/build-vaccination-corps-reopen-america/>

Dr. Collins announced a salary increase was approved and was retroactive to June.

Dr. Collins announced three new hires:

- Dr. Marlina Duncan, Vice Chancellor for Diversity & Inclusion
- Che Anderson, Assistant Vice Chancellor for City & Community Relations
- Parth Chakrabarti, Executive Vice Chancellor for Innovation & Business Development

*Dean/Provost Update*

Dr. Flotte announced that Dr. David McManus is the new chair for the Department of Medicine. Dr. Flotte thanked Dr. Finberg for his 21 years of service as the Department Chair of Medicine and announced that he was awarded the first Distinguished Professor of Medicine. He will also be awarded the title of Chair Emeritus.

Dr. Flotte thanked UMass Memorial for providing COVID vaccine to medical school individuals who are in appropriate categories. Invitations went out to medical students, first responders, and researchers who are working on COVID-facing research. The remainder of the students who are doing volunteer and/or other imbedded activities to a lesser extent in a health care setting have now been invited. The remainder of the on-site medical school work-force will be worked into the UMass Memorial allocation as vaccine becomes available. UMass Medical School employees working solely from home will be included in the "patient" group, which has not begun yet.



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Dr. Flotte announced the community spread of COVID spread is very high in Worcester/Central Massachusetts right now. Dr. Flotte reminded everyone to continue to adhere to masking and social distancing.

**AGENDA ITEM**

***Faculty Council Rules Committee Member: Dr. Pavao***

Dr. Pavao announced the slate of the proposed Rules Committee members. Motion to approve; motion approved.

***Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences Curriculum Committee Update***

Dr. Mandrekar gave a presentation on the GSBS Curriculum Committee. Presentation here

***Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences Update***

Dr. Lane gave an update on the GSBS. Presentation here

**ADJOURNMENT:** Dr. Pavao called for a motion to adjourn. Motion approved.