

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Washington, D.C.

The Faculty Senate

March 6, 2008

The Faculty Senate will meet on Friday, March 14, 2008 at 2:10 p.m. in the State Room, 1957 E Street, N.W., 7th Floor

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. IN MEMORIAM:

David E. Seidelson, Lyle T. Alverson Professor of Law Emeritus
3. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of February 8, 2008, as distributed
4. **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SECONDARY AND COURTESY APPOINTMENTS FOR REGULAR, ACTIVE-STATUS FACULTY MEMBERS (07/6); Professional Ethics and Academic Freedom Committee**
5. Introduction of Resolutions
6. **Biennial Report on Women Faculty and Faculty of Color:**
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Donald R. Lehman
7. **General Business:**
 - (a) **Nominees for election to the Nominating Committee for the Executive Committee for the 2008-09 Session:**

Professor Lilien F. Robinson (CCAS), Convener;
Professors Kurt J. Darr (SPHHS), Ernest J. Englander (SB),
Charles A. Garris, Jr. (SEAS), Scott B. Pagel (GWLS),
Robert W. Rycroft (ESIA), Gary L. Simon (SMHS),
and Lynda L. West (GSEHD)
 - (b) **Report of the Executive Committee: Lilien F. Robinson, Chair**
 - (c) **Tributes to retiring faculty who have served on the Faculty Senate**
 - (d) **Chair's Remarks**
8. **Brief Statements (and Questions)**
9. **Adjournment**

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**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SECONDARY AND COURTESY
APPOINTMENTS FOR REGULAR, ACTIVE-STATUS FACULTY MEMBERS
(07/6)**

WHEREAS, a small number of faculty members in the University hold joint appointments, and each joint appointment (i) provides the faculty member with a regular, active-status appointment in two or more schools or departments, and (ii) is separately budgeted in each school or department granting that appointment; and

WHEREAS, Article I.B.1. of the Faculty Code contemplates joint appointments, because the holder of a joint appointment receives a separate regular, active-status appointment from each participating school or department;

WHEREAS, certain schools and departments have also granted appointments that are not regular, active-status appointments to faculty members who hold regular, active-status appointments in other schools or departments within the University;

WHEREAS, such appointments are generally of two types – (i) appointments that confer specified governance privileges in the school or department granting the appointments (hereinafter referred to as “secondary appointments”), and (ii) appointments that do not confer any governance privileges in the school or department granting the appointments (hereinafter referred to as “courtesy appointments”);

WHEREAS, secondary and courtesy appointments can encourage and facilitate interdisciplinary collaboration among faculty members from different schools or departments; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Code does not refer to secondary and courtesy appointments; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate believes that it would be desirable to amend the Faculty Code to provide explicit authorization for secondary and courtesy appointments; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate believes that a secondary or courtesy appointment should not automatically confer any of the rights to participate in faculty governance that are provided under the Faculty Code or the Faculty Organization Plan, but a secondary appointment may properly confer specified governance privileges if such privileges are approved by the regular, active-status faculty of the school or department granting that appointment; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate understands that the current terms and conditions of existing secondary and courtesy appointments would not be changed by the proposed amendment to the Faculty Code, and the Faculty Senate has been advised that the Administration shares that understanding; **NOW, THEREFORE**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY:

That the Faculty Code be amended by adding the following new subsection at the end of Article I.B.:

- 6. Secondary and Courtesy Appointments:** A faculty member holding a regular, active-status appointment in one department or school may be granted a secondary or courtesy appointment in another department or school for a specified term. A secondary or courtesy appointment shall require the recommendation of the appropriate faculty and officers of administration of the unit granting that appointment and shall comply with rules and procedures for such appointments established by the unit granting that appointment and by the Vice President for Academic Affairs. A secondary appointment or a courtesy appointment shall not automatically confer any of the rights provided by the Faculty Code and the Faculty Organization Plan to participate in faculty governance in the unit granting that appointment. However, a department or school granting a secondary appointment may allow the faculty member holding that appointment to exercise specified governance privileges in that unit if those privileges have been approved by the unit's regular, active-status faculty. A secondary or courtesy appointment terminates automatically upon the expiration of its specified term or upon termination of the faculty member's regular, active-status appointment.

Faculty Senate Committee on Professional Ethics and Academic Freedom
February 29, 2008