

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Washington, DC

The Faculty Senate

March 30, 2005

The Faculty Senate will meet on Friday, April 8, 2005 at 2:10 p.m., in the Alumni House, First Floor, 1925 F Street, N.W.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Short recess for the purpose of having a group photograph taken of the 2004-05 Faculty Senate**
- 3. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of March 11, 2005, as distributed**
- 4. Resolutions:**

**A RESOLUTION FOR THE APPROPRIATE REGULATION OF HONORS, AWARDS OR DISTINCTIONS BY UNITS OF THE UNIVERSITY (04/9):
Professor Arthur E. Wilmarth, Jr., Chair, Faculty Senate Executive Committee**
- 5. Introduction of Resolutions**
- 6. Update on Square 54 development: Executive Vice President and Treasurer Louis H. Katz and Sherry K. Rutherford, Chief of Staff, Office of Business & Operations**
- 7. General Business:**
 - a) Nominees for election to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee for the 2005-06 Session proposed by the Nominating Committee:
Professor Philip W. Wirtz, Convener (nominees to be announced)**
 - b) Nominees for election to the Dispute Resolution Committee for three-year terms commencing May 1, 2005: Professors Robert J. Cottrol, Kurt J. Darr, Irving I. Glick, Nicholas Kyriakopoulos, Gary L. Simon;
Nominee for Chair: Professor Kurt J. Darr, for a one-year term**

- c) **Nominees for appointment by the President to the following Administrative Committees: University Hearing Board: Professors Charis Kubrin, and Katherine Goodrich; Marvin Center Program Board: Professor Alex Dickman; Marvin Center Governing Board: Professors Bradley Sabelli, Stephen McGraw, Julie Ryan, and Catherine Turley**
 - d) **Report of the Executive Committee: Arthur E. Wilmarth, Jr., Chair**
8. **Brief Statements (and Questions)**
9. **Adjournment**

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Attachments

A Resolution for the Appropriate Regulation of Honors, Awards, or Distinctions by Units of the University (04/9)

WHEREAS, it is of the first importance that any honor, award, or distinction linked with the name of The George Washington University continue to deserve the high regard of the entire academic community and the world at large; and

WHEREAS, it is essential therefore that such honors, awards, or distinctions be conferred with due deliberation on individuals or associations properly deserving of that honor, award, or distinction; and

WHEREAS, to that end it is desirable that in conferring such honors, awards, or distinctions on persons outside the community of GW students, faculty, and staff a degree of uniformity in standards, criteria, and deliberation be maintained throughout the University; **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

- 1) That, with respect to persons outside the community of students, faculty, and staff of The George Washington University, only Schools of the University should be authorized to confer honors, awards, or distinctions (that is, not individual Departments or other academic subdivisions, Institutes, or Centers, or other components, including 'schools within Schools', although these could well suggest or initiate consideration of such), subject to some appropriate procedures to be established by and within each School for that purpose, such procedures to be approved by the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs; and
- 2) that nominations for such School honors, awards, or distinctions should be vetted and approved by the Committee on Honors and Academic Convocations of the Faculty Senate (the "Committee") on the basis of materials submitted in support of each honor to be conferred by the School and the guidelines set forth in the Appendix to this Resolution, much as that Committee now vets nominations for the award of honorary degrees submitted by the various Schools; provided, that awards of a more modest nature may be approved by the Committee on a generalized basis in accordance with such procedures as the Committee may determine to be appropriate, including the approval of standard criteria to be followed by a School in selecting recipients of such awards.

Appendix: Guidelines for Conferral of Honors, Awards, or Distinctions

- 1) The awardee must have achieved distinction in his or her profession. "Distinction" can be measured in a variety of ways: winning significant prizes for professional or scholarly work; achieving national or international recognition for professional or scholarly work; or displaying the kind of professional or scholarly skills or abilities, character, and integrity that might cause the nominee to be considered to be a role model for students.
- 2) The awardee must have made the kind of contribution to his or her profession that has measurably enhanced or improved the profession. The awardee must have set a new standard for

accomplishment, found new ways to deliver the benefits of the profession, or otherwise brought recognition to the profession.

3) A connection with GW and the School proposing the honor, award, or distinction would be an important positive factor.

Committee on Honors and Academic Convocations

Barry L. Berman, Acting Chair

March 22, 2005

THIS COPY OF THE RESOLUTION HAS BEEN MARKED TO SHOW CHANGES MADE TO THE VERSION OF THE RESOLUTION THAT WAS CONSIDERED AND REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE BY THE FACULTY SENATE AT ITS MEETING MARCH 11, 2005

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