

Centerwide Committee Meeting

Wednesday January 20th 2019

Attendees:

Presiding Officer **Nicholas Penington, PhD**
Presiding Officer Elect **Alexander Schwartzman, MD.**

Members:

Presiding Officer, College of Health Related Professions

Loraine Antoine, PT DPT

Presiding Officer Elect, College of Medicine

**Ramaswamy Viswanathan,
MD**

Presiding Officer Elect, College of Nursing
Presiding Officer, School of Graduate Studies

Barbara J. Kitchener, PhD RN
Katherine L. Perkins, PhD

Presiding Officer Elect, School of Public Health
University Faculty Senator
University Faculty Senator

Elizabeth Helzner, PhD
Anika Daniels-Osaze, Ed.D
Brigitte Desport, DPS

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**Laura Martello-Rooney,
Ph.D**
Alithia Alleyne, CMHFA

Student Assembly (Coll of Medicine)
MD/PhD Cand.

Timothy Morello,

Review of minutes from December meetings was deferred until the February meeting when the Secretary could be present.

Webmaster is providing linked webpages for shared faculty governance to post minutes the link was revealed for a preview but this site at the moment can only be accessed on campus with a hard wired computer: <http://webdev.downstate.edu/shared-faculty-governance/index.html>

There was a discussion of the correlation between GRE scores and pass rates in the college of Health related professions. It was stated by Loraine Antoine of CHRP that a correlation exists despite some reports to the contrary. This was seconded by Timothy Morello (student) of the College of Medicine who said that he was told that pass rates on the boards correlate well with MCAT scores. It was also stated that T-scores used in the College of Nursing align well with GRE scores.

Updates were delivered on Research Misconduct cases were discussed but few developments indicated that this matter was on hold for serious discussion this month.

New Business: The German Habilitation degree was discussed in relation to its equivalence to the US Ph.D. It was remarked that the NY Board of Education should have a list of degree equivalencies from different countries and an enquiry should be made there.

The criteria for the discretionary raises won by the UUP were discussed. It was agreed that transparency should be requested from whoever is making the uneven payments of 0.5% of total Downstate salaries that are intended to even out those who have experienced salary compression.

A complaint was made about the spotty nature of the Wi-Fi service in many parts of the campus.