

Re: Faculty Senate Representatives - Fall 2020 Preparation Committee

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Email - Dr Lynne Kelly - Faculty Senate Representatives Fall Planning 5-5-20.pdf; Email to Dr Marcus Alfred - Fall Planning 4-24-20.pdf;

Dr. Kelly,

Good afternoon. I initially requested from the Faculty Senate the recommendation of two faculty to serve on the Fall 2020 Preparation Committee on April 24, 2020 in the attached email to Dr. Alfred. Initial members of the Fall 2020 Preparation Committee met on April 27, 2020, as I indicated in my email to Dr. Alfred. Following my meeting with you and Professor Paschall on May 1, 2020, I repeated my request for the submission of two representatives from the Faculty Senate, I also provided an update letter to the Faculty body, inviting any faculty volunteers who may want to participate on the Fall 2020 planning. The response from the faculty was robust, and a number were added to the Fall, 2020 subcommittees. The Fall 2020 Preparation Committee met again on May 4, 2020. I graciously received and accepted your recommendation of three Faculty Senate representatives in your attached email dated May 5, 2020.

There are 13 subcommittees who have been busily engaged in work for several weeks, a number of them have met on more than four occasions. Several have submitted preliminary recommendations which were due today. As a result, I believe it would be inappropriate to add additional nominees from the Faculty Senate at this point.

As we enter into the summer, and continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic, conditions continue to change rapidly, and consequential decisions will be communicated from the DC Government, Federal authorities, local governments, and other relevant entities. I again note that it will be essential that the Faculty Senate be prepared to respond quickly and with agility to requests for nominations or formal positions, as the Administration will need to often provide immediate responses to governmental authorities, students, families, faculty and staff, as conditions warrant. I appreciate your continued cooperation and understanding of the urgency. Thank you.

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Good Morning Provost Wutoh,

I am certain that the various subcommittees of the Fall 2020 Preparation Task Force would benefit from Dr. Littleton's perspective as a seasoned faculty in the College of Medicine.

Kind Regards,

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Professor Kelly,

Good afternoon. We have had a great volunteer response from faculty, and have populated each of the subcommittees. I will follow up with the subcommittee leads if there is still a need for additional volunteers. Thank you.

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Good Morning Provost Wutoh,

Dr. George Littleton (College of Medicine - Physiology and Biophysics) has also agreed to serve on the Fall 2020 Preparation Committee: His response to the invitation to serve was delayed due to final exams and other end-of-semester obligations.

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Thank you Dr. Kelly. I am in receipt.

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The following faculty have agreed to serve on the Fall 2020 Preparation Committee:

Dr. Shameka Stanford (School of Communications)

Dr. Courtney Robinson (COAS - Biology)

Dr. Jahn O'Neil (College of Medicine - Physiology and Biophysics)

They all expressed their appreciation for being considered and a desire to serve the University.

Kind Regards,

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Subject: Meeting today

Professor Kelly and Professor Paschall,

Good morning, and thank you for your input during our meeting earlier today. As promised, I have attached the position description for the Faculty Ombudsman position that was used previously. As I mentioned, we have budgeted this position in the Office of the Provost the past three years, and I am very supportive of identifying someone to fill the position. Please keep Dr. Cole Dixon engaged as she represented the Office of the Provost in the previous process, and will serve in that capacity again. I have also excerpted below the communication that President Frederick distributed on Wednesday regarding our planning for the Fall, 2020 semester;

"We are planning for a best-case scenario that includes a campus re-open and face-to-face instruction in the Fall 2020 semester. In the event District officials do not relax or end social distancing policies, we will adjust and update the campus community accordingly. To facilitate the planning of this return to in-person instruction, I've asked Florence Prioleau, University Secretary and General Counsel, Dr. Hugh E. Mighty, Vice President of Clinical Affairs, Dr. Anthony Wutoh, Provost, and Dr. Tashni-Ann Dubroy, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, to spearhead a committee that will provide relevant recommendations and guidelines. The committee will also include representatives from the staff, student body, faculty, and local officials and assess the many complex issues involved, including testing requirements, social distancing, athletics, sanitation of the campus, housing assignments, the protection of high-risk individuals, and much more. The most essential ingredient for our combined

success will be patience. The prediction of a second wave of infections in the Fall demand that we build flexibility into our plans."

I look forward to receiving recommendations from the Faculty Senate regarding representatives to serve on the Fall, 2020 Preparation Committee, ideally before the meeting next week.

Thank you.

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