

Timeline of HU Faculty Senate and Administration emails for Spring 2022 Address to Senate of Dr. Frederick

8-13-21 Invitation to President to Address Faculty Senate – sent to Lystra Hinds in president’s office.

8-14-21 Ms. Hinds suggests:

October 12th 2:00 pm–3:00 pm

March 10th 11:00 am–12:00 pm

8-15-21 Senate points out that the March recommendation is during Spring Break

8-16-21 Ms. Hinds recommends March 22nd 2:00 pm–3:00 pm. Accepted by the Senate.

1/18/22 Provost Wutoh confirms the President will address the Senate on March 22

2/4/22 Darren Monteiro contacts the Senate and says Spring date must be changed to April 14th. Senate agrees.

2/9/22 Mr. Monteiro confirms the time of 2pm on April 14, 2022. He also acknowledges this is to be the President’s “bi-annual address to the Faculty Senate (fall/spring).” Senate confirms.

3/8/22 Mr. Monteiro tells Senate that the address must be rescheduled due to personal loss in President’s family. Senate asks for updated date and time /ASAP

3/8/22 Mr. Monteiro says the date can still be kept. He was writing about the (already cancelled) March date. Senate asks for confirmation.

3/9/22 Ms. Monteiro confirms “Dr. Frederick will keep the April address to the Faculty Senate as planned.”

4/1/22 Mr. Monterio writes:

“Dr. Frederick looks forward to addressing the Faculty Senate on April 14th. In an effort to broadly disseminate important updates and hear from a range of stakeholders, he will also invite all members of the Howard University campus community to attend this event and take questions from as many as time allows. We are working to confirm a venue now.”

4/1/22 Senate responds that it was planned to be a Zoom event to allow

all Senate members to attend.

4/2/22 Chair Alfred writes to Monteiro and Hinds confirming that faculty would need a hybrid option to attend virtually, even if the president insists on securing a venue.

4/2/22 Mr. Monteiro responds: "We are holding 1-3 on April 14th and will be sure to hold that time for questions. We'll work with ETS to organize a virtual option if at all possible."

4/2/22 A flyer is sent to Monteiro to confirm our compliance with the times.

4/4/22 Senate advertises the meeting directly to full Senate membership.

4/5/22 Senate attempts to disseminate the event though HU Communications. The announcement is thwarted by VP Tramble. The message from HU Communications reads:

Good evening Ms. McDougall et al,

I was informed by Vice President Tramble that Dr. Frederick agreed to provide access to faculty, students, and staff for the State of the University address. It will be streamed on the University's YouTube channel. President Frederick will also answer questions from faculty, students and staff who attend.

We certainly encourage faculty senate representation at the address. It is not necessary for faculty to register via the Faculty Senate Zoom for them to be able to access the State of the University address. The requested email, in its current format, will cause confusion about how faculty can access and attend the State of the University address.

If you have any questions, please let VP Tramble know so he can address them.

4/6/22 Chair Alfred informs VP Tramble that this meeting was to be a Senate meeting, according to the Board of Trustees-approved constitution of the Senate. "Let us know if you would rather not have this be a Faculty Senate event and we will decouple them?"

4/6/22 VP Tramble explains the technical issue of the event cannot accommodate the needs of the Senate. Senate is asked to send a representative (to what was a Senate event).

4/7/22 VP Tramble again says the president's address will begin at 1pm, but will be in the School of Business and on YouTube, The Senate's meeting (it's purpose and time) has now been officially hijacked.

Tramble writes: "Our hope was to have a member of the faculty senate be able to represent questions that are addressed in this space."

4/8/22 VP Tramble is reminded the Constitution of the Senate, and of the president's responsibility to address the Senate faculty.

4/11/22 VP Tramble suggests the president leave the YouTube event and speak with the faculty (on Zoom) from 2:30-3:30pm.