

Faculty Council Meeting Meeting Minutes February 17, 2025

Timing	Agenda Item	Presenter	Summary of discussion	Action items/Motions/ Votes
4:02-4:17PM	Chair's Remarks and Announcements	Alan Levine Chair of Faculty Council	The chair called the meeting to order at 4:02PM. Dr. Levine welcomed everyone to today's hybrid Faculty Council Meeting – in person at CCLCM and via Zoom. He noted that Dr. James Stoller will hold a Fireside Chat on February 18 from 5:00-6:30PM in the Wolstein Auditorium and Lobby (flyer is included in the Faculty Council BOX folder).	
			Dr. Levine reminded the council members that it is their responsibility to take what we do at Faculty Council and transfer it back to their appropriate constituents. Conversely, members are to gather information, beliefs, and concerns from their constituents and bring them forward to him and the FCSC, and when appropriate to address the topic at Faculty Council.	
			A town hall will be held on Thursday, February 20, organized by Faculty Council in conjunction with Dean Gerson, in the Wolstein Auditorium from 10:00-11:00AM (Livestream option available), to discuss how the university should respond. This is a private conversation among faculty of CWRU SOM (nothing is being recorded). The dean has requested a list of topics we would like to be covered on Thursday. Today's conversations will cover how should we respond, who should we reach out to, how are our partner institutions managing this and how will this impact the finances of the affiliates?	
4:17-4:18PM	Approval of January 27 Faculty Council Meeting Minutes	Alan Levine	When polled, there were no edits to the January 27 Faculty Council Meeting minutes as posted in BOX.	With no objections, the January Faculty Council Meeting Minutes were approved by general consensus.
4:18-4:22PM	Faculty Council Steering Committee Report	Anastasia Rowland- Seymour	Dr. Rowland-Seymour attended the Faculty Council Steering Committee Meeting on February 3, and provided a summary of the topics covered at that meeting.	

4:22-4:24PM	Senate/ExCom Report	Matthias Buck	Matthias Buck noted that the campus master plan includes building projects totaling \$135million which are currently in play. The ExCom, led by past chair, Maureen McEnery, has voted to create an ad hoc committee to formulate procedures for merging, dividing and naming departments. Dr. Buck stated that insurance for post docs is on the Senate ExCom's agenda.	
4:24-4:32PM	Acknowledgment/Vote on NEC Charge	Alan Levine	Everything on our website needs to be accurate and up-to date for the LCME review. The NEC charge was brought forward to the NEC members to see if the charge was appropriate and to Bylaws to make sure it was consistent with the bylaws. Currently there is no NEC Chair; Dr. Rowland-Seymour will represent the NEC. At the NEC meeting the charge was approved and is moving forward. Tom Collins, Chair of the Bylaws Committee, stated that the Bylaws Committee deemed the charge consistent with what is in the bylaws and updated language on the web page. The date of the new charge will be February 17, 2025.	A motion was made by a Faculty Council representative and seconded by a Faculty Council representative to accept the updated NEC charge. Vote: 47 were in favor, 1 was against, and 15 abstained. The motion is approved.
4:32-4:37PM	SOM CAPT Annual Report	Siran Koroukian and Mamta Singh (Co-Chairs)	Drs. Koroukian and Singh presented the SOM CAPT Annual Report with a summary of activities for the academic year 2023-2024. Seven tenured candidates were considered for promotion to professor with 7 positive recommendations from the CAPT, dean and Provost. Twenty-three were nominated to professor NTT (13 female and 10 male) with 23 receiving positive recommendations from the CAPT, dean and provost. Five candidates (all women) received positive recommendations from the CAPT, dean and provost for award of tenure. There was one candidate for promotion to assistant professor in the tenure track with positive recommendations from the CAPT, dean and provost. The largest category for promotion was to associate professor NTT (31 female and 30 male applicants) with 53 initial CAPT recommendations. Eight appeals were all successful with 61 final positive recommendations from the CAPT, dean and provost. There were 97 total promotions with a 100% success rate. Dr. Koroukian credited the high success rate to the very stringent vetting process at the department level making it ready for review by the time it reaches the CAPT. She thanked the committee members for their tremendous amount of work and dedication required to evaluate each application.	

4:37-4:56PM	Remarks by Dean Gerson	Stan Gerson	Dean Gerson stated that a public announcement will soon be	
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			chairs. The announcement is being delayed because notification	
			just took place today. The university has been quite preoccupied	
			with the federal executive orders and while they have been	
			responding to them effectively, he didn't think any of them could	
			review if we are in status quo. Members should work through	
			Faculty Council, collectively, to come up with whatever	
			questions they would like addressed at Thursday's meeting.	
			There is a variety of incredibly sensitive touchpoints; one being	
			the area of DEI. The Dean stated that our plan has been adjusted	
			appropriately and he didn't think we are losing anything in the	
			process. There will be a response by the university in the next	
			day or so regarding the colleague letter received by many over	
			the weekend and commented on extensively in the press. We	
			feel we are fully compliant with the additional realm of	
			responsibility that was attempted to be stated in the colleague	
			letter, but not necessarily 100% aligned with the language as it	
			speaks to different perspectives on judicial departments.	
			speaks to different perspectives on judicial departments.	
			The gap might prove to be as much as \$40-80 million and one	
			can speculate on the impact on the NIH budget final resolution	
			of IDC, of conversation about what to do about it, and the	
			appropriateness of what a reasonable resolution in the IDC ought	
			to be. Taxing and endowments are being discussed. There are	
			incredibly thoughtful responses, perspectives and contingency	
			plans taking place in the university.	
			The Dean felt that responding to unfair attacks against Cleveland	
			Clinic is not productive. Extrapolating to the bigger picture,	
			individuals that approach within the umbrella of executive	
			orders have created a very clear perspective to the ability to	
			pursue such approaches within the confines of administration	
			approval and therefore they come close to the law of the land,	
			unless the judicial system prevents them from doing so. Aligning	
			and maintaining our values is doable.	
			There could be situations where the recently initiated NIH grants	
			are withdrawn, but the Dean thinks it is fair to say that funded	
			awarded grants should be spent appropriately, and in a timeline	
			which will completely run through the annual award by the	
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	Remarks by Dean Gerson (continued)		renewal date of that particular grant. There is no reason to not spend a current grant. The double message here is to spend grants while being conscientious and careful with expenditures that are not grant-funded in the research. Grant-funded positions should be posted open and completed while making sure HR appreciates your need to have the position filled. Dr. Levine will collect and forward to the dean any questions for the meeting on Thursday, at 10:00AM at Wolstein Auditorium.	
4:56-5:18PM	Discussion of Budget Concerns	Craig Hodges	As Craig Hodges has only recently become chair of the Committee on Budget, Finance and Compensation, the committee's annual report will be postponed to May or June. Dr. Hodges also serves on the Finance Committee of the Senate and will provide a summary of the last meeting. He is soliciting questions and issues that should be addressed by the committee in the next few months. Case has been operating on a \$9 million surplus with endowments currently at \$2.5 billion. \$46 Million in withdrawals have been made in the last six months of 2024 with \$30 Million in returns. Some investments are doing quite well. The master's programs are the big reason for the reduction in our income in the SOM. Dipping into the endowments could be the answer, however it could affect generational investments. These discussions may be quite different after IDC cuts come through. Keeping on top of salary equity, gender and minority status continues to be looked at by the committee. Dr. Hodges will speak with past chairs about professors who have received generous packages, while associate professors continue to be the least rewarded. In the past, progression from assistant, associate, and to full professor was looked at for the limited promotion increases which made it difficult to keep track with the AAMC for those three positions. Faculty Council reps should feel free to disseminate AAMC information with their department members. Dr. Merrick noted it was released only a month ago and that basically the numbers are going to be two years behind faculty salaries that begin July 1.	
5:18 –5:36PM	Conversation about NIH Policy and How Faculty Council Can or Should Respond		This topic came up twice at the FCSC. The two-prong question is what concerns should we articulate; and if we do, who do we direct it to (internally with suggestions to the dean, to the provost, to the BOT, or externally to newspapers, politicians /	

	Conversation about NIH Policy and How Faculty Council Can or Should Respond (continued)	lobbyists)? It was suggested that Faculty Council (considered a safe place for this type of discussion) could have one session where people only discuss this particular issue and formulate a combined response which can be put into action. The best chance could be to work via a mix of the governor and politicians in power to promote the concept that cutting healthcare research is not beneficial to anyone, employing the best strategy and empowering any voice coming from academia and healthcare research. Suggestions were made to make appointments with representatives and senators in Cleveland with 2-3 members of Faculty Council for an open discussion, working via the governor or RFK, Jr. in a way we, in healthcare, not just Case, speak more broadly as the NIH funded community. Hearing what the various universities have to say will be the best chance of opening channels of communication and promoting understanding of the great value of biomedical research and how it affects the fringes of society with these cuts. The return on investment for the State of Ohio is 2.6% and there is an economic impact to the State of Ohio and the country as a whole. https://www.unitedformedicalresearch.org/nih-in-your-state/
5:36-5:37PM	New Business	Passed in favor of time.
5:37-5:38PM	Good and Welfare	The Faculty Council meetings have already been hosted by MHMC and VA. Today's meeting is hosted by CCLCM and the April 28 Faculty Council Meeting will be hosted by UH.
5:38PM	Adjourn	There being no further agenda items to address, the chair adjourned the meeting at 5:38PM.

Present

Blaine (Todd) Bafus Calen Frolkis Qingzhong Kong **Ruben Olivares** Paul Shaniuk Stephanie Barnes Lisa Gelles **Bret Lashner** Monica Montano **Emily Hamburg-Shields** Kavita Bhatt Stan Gerson Stephen Leb Nona Nichols Ben Schwan Ramy Ghayda **Matthias Buck** Alan Levine Elizabeth Painter Bryan Singelyn

Hulya Bukulmez Adrienne Callahan Wayne Cohen-Levy	Keshava Gowda Andrew Harris Sheronica James	David Ludlow Janice Lyons Claudio Milstein	Abigaill Raffner (Basson) Elizabeth Rainbolt Rania Rayes-Danan	Michael Staudt Phoebe Stewart Nami Tajima
Thomas Collins	Venkatesh Kambhampati	Michael Moffitt	Anastasia Rowland-Seymour	Patricia Taylor
Marta Couce	Hung-Ying Kao	Nona Nichols	Ben Schwan	Gregory Videtic
Nadim El Chakhtoura	Sadu Karnik	Rebecca Obeng	Hemalatha Senthilkumar	Scott Williams
Jeremiah Escajeda	Camilla Kilbane	Sarah Ondrejka	Demitre Serletis	Raed Zuhour
Jessica Fesler		•		
Not Present				
Robert Abouassaly	Patrick Collier	Eric W. Kaler	Susan Linder	Neal Peachey
Joshua Arbesman	Meelie DebRoy	Gaby Khoury	Dan Ma	Cyrus Rabbani
Mohammad Ansari	Mackenzie Deighen	Sadashiva Karnik	Tani Malhotra	Deven Reddy
Elvera L. Baron	Rachael Gowen	Sandeep Khanna	James Martin	Ann Rivera
Corinne Bazella	Bahar Bassiri Gharb	Christina Krudy	Raman Marwaha	Tamer Said
Maura Berkelhamer	Amy Hise	Ang Li	Amy McDonald	Matthew Sikora
Melissa Bonner	Jason Ho	Jennifer Li	Christopher McFarland	Simi Singh
Francis Caputo	Vanessa Ho	Shawn Li	Gillian Michaelson	James (Jim) Strainic
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Shane Angus	Nicole Deming	Cynthia Kubu	William Merrick	Simran Singh
Sarah Augustine	Adrianne Fletcher	Lia Logio	Charlene Pan	Madelyn Stevens
Robert Bonomo	Trish Gallagher	Donald Mann	Ashwini Pandit	Usha Stiefel

Lina Mehta

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4:02-4:11PM	Chair's Remarks and Announcements	Alan Levine Chair of Faculty Council	The chair called the meeting to order at 4:02PM. Dr. Levine noted that today's Faculty Council Meeting is hybrid, via Zoom and in-person at the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center. The February Faculty Council Meeting will also be hybrid via Zoom and in-person at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine, with the March Faculty Council Meeting via Zoom and in-person at University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center. Ten senators represent the SOM on the Faculty Senate with 3-4 rotating off (senators serve a 3-year term). Dr. Levine reminded the council that today is the last day to submit nominations and encouraged all to be involved to guarantee that everyone hears our voice. The second mechanism is to be involved in any of a number of senate committees (several slots are currently available). The Nominating Committee of the senate tries to match interest to the committee so those looking to participate have a fairly high chance of getting on the committee of their choice. Those interested should bring their name forward. Third, you will recall that we received permission from the provost to take the survey and rework it for clinical and SOM faculty. The Faculty Council Steering Committee would like council members to be involved in designing that survey. Please inform Dr. Levine, Nicole Deming, or Joyce Helton if you would like to participate. The LCME visit is scheduled in March with a practice session scheduled for mid-February. Dr. Levine will be reporting back to the council from a faculty governance perspective to keep everyone informed.	
4:11-4:13PM	Approval of December 16 Faculty Council Meeting Minutes	Alan Levine	When polled, there were no edits to the December 16 Faculty Council Meeting minutes as posted in BOX.	With no objections, the December Faculty Council Meeting Minutes were approved by general consensus.

4:13-4:15PM	Faculty Council Steering Committee Report	Anastasia Rowland- Seymour	Dr. Rowland-Seymour attended the Faculty Council Steering Committee Meeting on January 6. During this meeting there was a fairly lengthy discussion about bylaws and amendments as they relate to tenure salary guarantee. There was a discrepancy in language which was not the same as in the faculty handbook. It was decided that it needed to be looked at in more detail and what was in conflict with the faculty handbook, and adopt the current faculty handbook language into the bylaws and the additional language for salary. The FCSC minutes were reviewed and approved. Equity reviews need to be submitted by January 30. There was a review of the faculty handbook amendment regarding the teaching, research and scholarship service to the university proposed new language. The challenges with funding post docs and making sure that they have insurance coverage and benefits and how the challenge falls to the department was discussed. More conversation is needed about what to	
4:15-4:31PM	Senate/ExCom Report	Matthias Buck	do so departments are not challenged by this issue. The Faculty Council agenda for January 27 was created and approved. Dr. Elvera Baron and Dr. Matthias Buck are sharing the Senate Ex Com SOM representative position with Dr. Baron taking the first semester and Dr. Buck the second. In summary of the December Faculty Senate ExCom meeting, Dr. Buck noted that topics that were discussed were the faculty infrastructure, faculty well-being (wellness), and compensation, with additional presentations on bylaws chapters 2 and 3 of the handbook. The post doc insurance matter will be on their agenda for February. A survey of how other institutions handle post docs indicated that most institutions have them as staff or employees. That may be an issue in future discussions of this topic. Dr. Buck referred to the current NIH executive order regarding gender, equity, etc. We haven't been asked to scrub communications of any terms that are offensive to the current administration. However, if any of you have published for anyone involved in public interaction or scientific interaction, scrubbing your terminology for a while is a wise pursuit. Dr. Buck was not pleased with having to do that but it is a reality and we are dealing with it. Those who are funded by international organizations outside the U.S. now have a stop order which means you can't send any more money. Their concern is what	

	Senate/ExCom Report (continued)		scrubbing of websites and what people are perceiving what the world will be like. There have been communications from NIH with instructions to not use gender anymore. However, nothing is written nor official. Faculty Council is taking this up as well. This is an issue that has to be resolved. The senate decision about post doc health coverage left it up to the school, department or the PI, none of which have a lot of money to work with.	Dr. Levine is meeting with the Dean and will bring the issue of insurance for post docs to his attention as well as the communication from the NIH regarding gender and whether or not a communication should be sent out to all faculty for clarification.
4:31-4:46PM	Proposal to Request an Amendment to the Faculty Handbook	Alan Levine	Dr. Levine stated that the goal is to have a recommendation come from Faculty Council to the Faculty Senate to alter the handbook for the senate reviewed change in the handbook. What is the current language, what we want to change it to, the rationale, and what we would like to discuss. Current language: 1) teaching, 2) research and scholarship, or 3) service to the University community Change to: 1) education and scholarship, 2) research and scholarship, or service to the University community The Dean noted that the SOM educates quite differently and uniquely from the rest of the campus. To ask the Faculty Senate to change the university handbook to something that will basically only apply to the SOM will not be positively received by the Faculty Senate. Tenure and promotion is a school-based process. The rest of the university is not subject to the criteria that we use that includes education and scholarship. The provost signs off. If we have the freedom, within the SOM, to define teaching, education and scholarship, and are not getting any resistance for promotions and tenure at the university level, it probably is not a conversation worth having. It is important to have that conversation and he would like to hear from others. Education here in the SOM is different from class teaching. Dr. Levine stated that the document in BOX indicates that teaching is education, designing a curriculum is education, etc. The argument to the Senate is when you change teaching in the handbook you are opening the door, not tightening things up.	Dr. Levine will ask Faculty Council to remove the Council request to support a request to the Senate to change teaching to education and scholarship and have FCSC review that decision next Monday.

	Proposal to Request an Amendment to the Faculty Handbook (continued)		problem with our clinical faculty. If we are not describing what they are doing, that makes sense to them, we are not helping that engagement problem at all. We understand that we are talking to people here at SOM who are doing all of their teaching and education in one way, but we want to be inclusive with the largest group of clinical educators doing education in a way that is not currently adequately described. That would be the logic for changing the words in the handbook to reflect that our clinical faculty educate in a very different way. Dr. Frolkis questioned how the change in definition would affect change in real life? How do you disseminate it to culture, to people being more involved and appreciated. The Dean's argument is that the SOM uses education for P&T, why raise it to the rest of the university when we have the freedom to do it our way, the right way. We do not need to convince the rest of the university to accept something they are not comfortable with, when using our criteria for the ways we educate within the SOM works just fine. Unless there is pushback on how we do it, why bring up this issue at all.	
4:46-4:55PM	Remarks by Dean Gerson	Stan Gerson	Dean Gerson stated that he appreciates that the terms are global terms to help set a terminology for the purpose of faculty appointments. He thought we should have the healthy conversation of what we need and he would like to move that ahead to Faculty Council and through to faculty and the departments to determine what we mean by education and high-quality education. The School of Medicine already uses its own criteria for promotion and tenure, and there's no pushback from the rest of the campus. He suggested that the conversation about the difference between education and teaching should continue, but not necessarily through the Faculty Senate. The conversation about the meaning of education is healthy, but the School of Medicine should define it for itself. The Dean recognized the current state of flux in the university due to executive orders and the new administration's actions. In the administration's mind they are following through in a respectful manner for what his electoral mandate asked him to do i.e. they have the predominate voice in how to execute their	

	Remarks by Dean Gerson (continued)		responsibilities. The Dean emphasized that the institution should adapt to the changing environment while maintaining its	
	. (commitment to high-quality health improvement and research. He also mentioned that the university would have to manage potential negative impacts on grants and faculty support. We will have some occasional negative impact upon us on grants drawn and could affect our grant portfolio which we will have to manage appropriately	
			When asked how will this impact promotions at the next level if promotion is grant support and federal funding, the Dean noted that the P&T takes many points into consideration, allowing many paths to find your way.	
			The Dean announced the finalization of the chairs for Physiology, Biophysics, and Anatomy, and that the Director for the Center for Community Health Integration should be completed by mid-February. He also reminded everyone about the upcoming LCME visit in March and mentioned that he was working on an updated strategic plan in response to the new administration	The Dean requested that time be set aside at the next Faculty Council Meeting to discuss the updated strategic plan.
4:55 – 5:15PM	Bylaws - Proposed Amendment Tenure Salary Guarantee	Tom Collins (Chair of Bylaws Committee)	Dr. Collins stated that today we want to address how we are currently in conflict with the faculty handbook. The SOM bylaws on page 26 (last sentence) says "the amount of guarantee is currently under discussion; with more discussion still to follow". In the faculty handbook under guarantee of salary for tenured faculty, the university is listed as being the one responsible for paying the salary of the tenured faculty. The university has graciously put themselves in a position to support the faculty member.	
			The current SOM bylaws Appendix I is relatively silent on the guaranteed salary report. Proposed changes in the APT guidelines reflect that the bulk of this tenure guarantee is verbatim to what is in the faculty handbook (in green – see document in BOX). This is where we are in conflict; our bylaws does not have this section in it. We would like Faculty Council to adopt this language into our bylaws and start the process. The last two sentences in yellow: "Award of tenure for faculty based in the SOM who have 100% salary sourced by the SOM will have three components to their salary: base, merit, and incentive.	

Bylaws - Proposed Amendment Tenure Salary Guarantee (continued)	These components will be adjusted by annual performance review, but the base salary will not be reduced." We speak to that in other areas of the guidance as well. We are unique in that these components will be adjusted by annual performance review but the base salary will not be reduced. Questions raised were: What if the workload or the expectation of that faculty member was reduced? What if the department responsible for paying the salary has reduced finances? The Bylaws Committee recommends to Faculty Council to adopt the current Faculty Handbook language into SOM Bylaws, which the originating body to consider options for additional salary language (the green section (attached) was voted on. Dr. Levine went to the FCSC last week with a series of questions for the grey area. FCSC will review to get us moving with the right discussion and move the conversation forward more rapidly. The Dean stated that this continues to be an active discussion with the Vice Dean from Finance, the chairs, and relates to the faculty in the basic science departments and the faculty in the relative to the faculty. If the chairs are unable to transmit that information in their department meetings the first order of business at Faculty Council should be why the chairs are having difficulty addressing this with their departments. Every representative here could have that conversation with their chair and bring that back to this committee. Dr. Merrick stated that the SOM has a salary policy which it doesn't follow and is trying to get a clear and concise understanding of what is happening from the level of the Dean, Finance Office, and chairs to faculty has been confusing. We would hope to have the administration present something that is a bit more transparent.
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5:15-5:20PM	Lecture Committee	Fred Schumacher	Dr. Schumacher explained that he is new to the Lecture	
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	Annual Report	(Chair of the Lecture	Committee and recently nominated to the chair position. The	
		Committee)	committee is comprised of five members serving a three-year	
			term. They are currently meeting twice a year but as they	
			develop and get new lectures coming in, they will meet more	
			often as required.	
			Currently, there is a schedule of three different lectureships: the	
			Louis A. Bloomfield Memorial, which provides lectures in	
			Greater Cleveland by distinguished medical scientists and	
			scholars; the H.M. Hanna Lecture Fund which provides lectures	
			from distinguished foreign visitors so that they might be	
			attracted here to give lectures in the medical sciences; and the	
			Courtney Burton Frontiers of Medicine Lecture Fund which	
			supports an annual lecture from "an outstanding individual who	
			has achieved or been involved in the achievement of a signifi-	
			cant advance in medicine or a closely related field".	
			In the past two years, the Bloomfield Lecture hosted Dr. Tom	
			Sudhof from HHMI and Stanford University and Dr. David Liu	
			from the Broad Institute and Harvard University. In progress for	
			2025 is Ruslan Medzhitov from the Yale School of Medicine.	
			In 2023 the Hanna Lecture Fund hosted a symposium focused on	
			chemical biology with Damian Young (Baylor), Brian Shoichet	
			(UCSF) and Eranthie Weerapana (Boston College). In progress	
			for 2025 is a lecture by Laura Esserman, Departments of Surgery	
			and Radiology, Institute for Health Policy Studies, UCSF.	
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			In 2023, the Courtney Burton Frontiers of Medicine Lecture	
			Fund, hosted jointly with the Cleveland Museum of Natural	
			History, a symposium celebrating the 20 th anniversary of the	
			sequencing of the human genome. Symposium participants	
			were Sarah Tishkoff (UPENN), Heidi Rehm (Broad), and David Goldstein (Actio Biosciences).	
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			and develop a webpage for each lectureship with descriptions of	
			the lectureship and a previous speaker listing in the hope of	
			assisting to invite future speakers; a weblink could be provided	
			in the invitation. They are also considering developing a	
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	Lecture Committee Annual Report (continued)		Linkedin page for each lectureship. They will continue to develop partnerships with area organizations for lecture panels, i.e. similar to the Museum of Natural History collaboration with the 20 th anniversary of human genome.	
5:20-5:31PM	Medical Student Admissions Committee	Lina Mehta (Associate Dean for Admissions)	Dr. Mehta reported that the class of 2024's medical school applications has increased 10.7%, which is a significant increase compared to the national 0.2% increase. The university program received 7,821 applications with 170 matriculants. The class is diverse with 56.4% being women, 1.4% self-described non-binary gender, and 15% of the class belonging to the LGBTQ community, with an age range of 20-33, and an average age of 23.2. The class includes students from 79 different colleges and universities with 18 students matriculating with graduate degrees, 41 with double majors, and 1 with a triple major. The average cumulative GPA was 3.87 and continues to rise from last year's 3.83. The average science GPA was 3.84 up from last year's 3.79. The MCAT score was around the 95th percentile. Students come from 35 states of residence and DC (17% from Ohio, 83% out of state California, Michigan, Illinois, New York, Massachusetts and Florida), and one country outside of the U.S. (Nigeria). The self-described race/ethnicity numbers reflect White (89), South Asian (59), and Asian (52), and Black African or African American (14), Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish Origin (11), Other (6), and American Indian or Alaska Native (3). Demographics showed: students who are first generation college (7%), rural areas of U.S. (6%), prior military experience (1.4%), one or more year between graduating college and begin medical school (82%), and underrepresented in medicine (12%). Some students need time to rest and more and more are taking off the year. Dr. Mehta noted that the number of students from traditionally underrepresented groups in medicine has dropped, which she attributes to the Supreme Court Ruling that race and ethnicity cannot be considered in the admissions process.	
5:31-5:41PM	Committee on Medical Students Promotion and Advancement Annual Report	Sarah Augustine (Chair of the CMSPA)	Dr. Augustine explained that the committee has undergone a name change to the Committee on Medical Students Promotion and Advancement and a revision of its charge. The committee reviews total performance of all students within the SOM,	

	Committee on Medical Students Promotion and Advancement Annual Report (continued)	approves student promotions to the next academic year, recommends candidates for the award of degree of Doctor of Medicine, and reviews and approves recommendations for promotion, dismissal, and full year remediation for CCLCM students at the request of the Medical Student Performance Review Committee (MSPRC). The committee meets every third Thursday of the month, with action items being reviewed the following Friday, and formal action item letters being sent out the following Monday. Dr. Augustine presented data on the committee's actions over the past academic year including a demographic breakdown of students presented. The committee motions included 43 student presentations and 31 unique students. The committee faced challenges with difficulty in tracking students who delay USMLE exams, consistency in committee recommendations across professional schools, and categorizing lapses in conscientious behavior. Their successes included the name change and charge revision, the new presentation template that was designed and implemented, realignment of processes with MSPRC, equal participation from all committee members, revision of committee membership, and development of a two-tiered appeals process. For AY 23/24, there were 209 total candidates for graduation (199 MD candidates and 10 MSTP candidates). Excluding MSTP candidates (182 MD candidates — graduated in 5 years or less, and 17 MD candidates — graduated in 6 years or less). Including MSTSP candidates (27 candidates — graduated in 6 years or more).
5:41PM	New Business	Passed in favor of time.
5:41PM	Good and Welfare	Passed in favor of time.
5:41PM	Adjourn	There being no further agenda items to address, the chair adjourned the meeting at 5:41PM.

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Calen Frolkis Lisa Gelles Stan Gerson Ramy Ghayda Keshava Gowda Andrew Harris Sheronica James Venkatesh Kambhampati Hung-Ying Kao

Sadu Karnik

Camilla Kilbane

Qingzhong Kong **Bret Lashner** Stephen Leb Alan Levine **David Ludlow** Janice Lyons Claudio Milstein Michael Moffitt Nona Nichols Rebecca Obeng Sarah Ondrejka

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Paul Shaniuk **Emily Hamburg-Shields** Ben Schwan Bryan Singelyn Michael Staudt Phoebe Stewart Nami Tajima Patricia Taylor **Gregory Videtic** Scott Williams Raed Zuhour

Not Present

Robert Abouassaly Joshua Arbesman Mohammad Ansari Elvera L. Baron Corinne Bazella Maura Berkelhamer Melissa Bonner Francis Caputo Andy Chen

Patrick Collier Meelie DebRov Mackenzie Deighen Rachael Gowen Bahar Bassiri Gharb Amy Hise Jason Ho Vanessa Ho Maeve Hopkins

Eric W. Kaler Gaby Khoury Sadashiva Karnik Sandeep Khanna Christina Krudy Ang Li Jennifer Li Shawn Li

Susan Linder Dan Ma Tani Malhotra James Martin Raman Marwaha Amy McDonald Christopher McFarland Gillian Michaelson

Neal Peachey Cyrus Rabbani Deven Reddy Ann Rivera Tamer Said Matthew Sikora Simi Singh James (Jim) Strainic

Others Present

Shane Angus Sarah Augustine Robert Bonomo Rui Cao

Nicole Deming Adrianne Fletcher Trish Gallagher Joyce Helton

Cynthia Kubu Lia Logio Donald Mann Lina Mehta

William Merrick Charlene Pan Ashwini Pandit Fred Schumacher

Simran Singh Madelyn Stevens Usha Stiefel

Summary of Committee on Appointments, Promotions, and	d Tenure Activities
	2023-2024
PROMOTIONS AND TENURE FOR FACULTY AT CWRU SOM	
For Promotion to Professor (Tenured)	
nominated	7 (1F, 6M)
intial positve CAPT rec	7 (1F, 6M)
appeals	0 (0F, 0M)
successful appeals	0 (0F, 0M)
final positive CAPT rec	7 (1F, 6M)
Dean's rec	7 (1F, 6M)
Provost & final rec	7 (1F, 6M)
% successful	7 of 7 = 100%
For Promotion to Professor Non-Tenure Track	
nominated	23 (13F, 10M)
intial positve CAPT rec	23 (13F, 10M)
appeals	0 (0F, 0M)
successful appeals	0 (0F, 0M)
final positive CAPT rec	23 (13F, 10M)
Dean's rec	23 (13F, 10M)
Provost & final rec	23 (13F, 10M)
% successful	23 of 23 = 100%
For Award of Tenure	
nominated	5 (5F, 0M)
intial positve CAPT rec	5 (5F, 0M)
appeals	0 (0F, 0M)
successful appeals	0 (0F, 0M)
final positive CAPT rec	5 (5F, 0M)
Dean's rec	5 (5F, 0M)
Provost & final rec	5 (5F, 0M)
% successful	5 of 5= 100%
For Promotion to Associate Prof in Tenure Track	
nominated	1 (1F, 0M)
intial positve CAPT rec	1 (1F, 0M)
appeals	0 (0F, 0M)
successful appeals	0 (0F, 0M)
final positive CAPT rec	1 (1F, 0M)
Dean's rec	1 (1F, 0M)
Provost & final rec	1 (1F, 0M)
% successful	1 of 1 = 100%

		
For Promotio	n to Associate Prof in Non-Tenure 1	<u>rack</u>
nominated		61 (31F, 30 <i>l</i>
intial positve (CAPT rec	53 (27F, 26I
appeals		8 (4F, 4M)
successful ap	peals	8 (4F, 4M)
final positive (CAPT rec	61 (31F, 30 <i>l</i>
Dean's rec		61 (31F, 30 <i>l</i>
Provost & fina	l rec	61 (31F, 30 <i>l</i>
% successful		61 of 61 = 10
Overall Prom	otion and Tenure	97 of 97 = 10

2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021	2019-2020
2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021	2017-2020
6 (1F,57M)	8 (1F, 7M)	10 (2F, 8M)	12 (5F, 7M)
6 (1F,57M)	7 (1F, 6M)	10 (2F, 6M)	10 (3F, 7M)
0 (0F, 0M)	0 (0F, 0M)	1 (OF, 1M)	2 (2F, 0M)
0 (0F, 0M)	0 (0F, 0M)	1 (OF, 1M)	2 (2F, 0M)
6 (1F,57M)	7 (1F, 6M)	10 (2F, 7M)	12 (5F, 7M)
6 (1F,57M)	7 (1F, 6M)	10 (2F, 7M)	12 (5F, 7M)
6 (1F,57M)	7 (1F, 6M)	10 (2F, 7M)	12 (5F, 7M)
6 of 6 = 100%	7 of 8 = 88%	9 of 10 = 90%	12 of 12 = 100%
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37 (17 F, 20 M)	37 (17 F, 20 M)	35 (13 F, 22 M)	30 (7 F, 23 M)
35 (15 F, 20 M)	35 (15 F, 20 M)	31 (13 F,182 M)	26 (6 F, 20 M)
2 (2F, 0M)	2 (2F, 0M)	4 (OF, 4M)	3 (1F, 2M)
2 (2F, 0M)	2 (2F, 0M)	4 (OF, 4M)	3 (1F, 2M)
37 (17 F, 20 M)	37 (17 F, 20 M)	35 (13 F, 22 M)	29 (7 F, 22 M)
37 (17 F, 20 M)	37 (17 F, 20 M)		29 (7 F, 22 M)
37 (17 F, 20 M)	37 (17 F, 20 M)	35 (13 F, 22 M)	29 (7 F, 22 M)
37 of 37 = 100%	37 of 37 = 100%		29 of 30 = 97%
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (1F, 5M)	9 (3F, 6M)	7 (1F, 6M)
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (1F, 5M)	8 (3F, 5M)	7 (1F, 6M)
0 (0F, 0M)	0 (OF, OM)	1 (OF, 1M)	0
0 (0F, 0M)	0 (OF, OM)	1 (OF, 1M)	0
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (1F, 5M)	9 (3F, 6M)	7 (1F, 6M)
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (1F, 5M)	9 (3F, 6M)	6 (1F, 5M)
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (1F, 5M)	9 (3F, 6M)	6 (1F, 5M)
5 of 5 = 100%	6 of 6 = 100%	9 of 9 = 100%	6 of 7 = 86%
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5 (2F, 3M)	5 (2F, 3M)	7 (2F, 5M)	4 (2F, 2M)
4 (2F, 2M)	4 (2F, 2M)	6 (2F, 4M)	4 (2F, 2M)
1 (OF, 1M)	1 (OF, 1M)	1 (OF, 1M)	0
1 (OF, 1M)	1 (OF, 1M)	1 (OF, 1M)	0
5 (2F, 3M)	5 (2F, 3M)	7 (2F, 5M)	4 (2F, 2M)
5 (2F, 3M)	5 (2F, 3M)	7 (2F, 5M)	4 (2F, 2M)
5 (2F, 3M)	5 (2F, 3M)	7 (2F, 5M)	4 (2F, 2M)
5 of 5 = 100%	5 of 5 = 100%	7 of 7 = 100%	4 of 4 = 100%

101 (34F, 67M)	96 (45F, 51M)	68 (32F, 36M)	50 (19F, 31M)
92 (32F, 60M)	90 (42F, 48M)	64 (31F, 33M)	46 (18F, 28M)
7 (1F, 6M)	1 (1F, 0M)	3 (1F, 2M)	1 (OF, 1M)
7 (1F, 6M)	1 (1F, 0M)	3 (1F, 2M)	0 (OF, OM)
99 (33F, 66M)	91 (43F, 48M)	67 (32F, 35M)	46 (18F, 28M)
99 (33F, 66M)	91 (43F, 48M)	67 (32F, 35M)	46 (18F, 28M)
99 (33F, 66M)	91 (43F, 48M)	67 (32F, 35M)	46 (18F, 28M)
99 of 101 = 98%	91 of 96 = 95%	67 of 68 = 96%	46 of 50 = 92%
148 of 150 = 99%	146 of 152 = 96%	127 of 129 = 98%	97 of 103 = 94%

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2018-2019	2017-2018	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2015
2010 2017	2017 2010	2010 2017	2010 2010	2014 2010
6 (2F, 4M)	6 (3F, 3M)	9 (2F, 7M)	2 (1F, 1M)	8 (1F, 7M)
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (3F, 3M)	9 (2F, 7M)	2 (1F, 1M)	8 (1F, 7M)
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (3F, 3M)	9 (2F, 7M)	2 (1F, 1M)	8 (1F, 7M)
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (3F, 3M)	9 (2F, 7M)	2 (1F, 1M)	8 (1F, 7M)
5 (2F, 3M)	6 (3F, 3M)	8 (1F, 7M)	2 (1F, 1M)	8 (1F, 7M)
5 of 6 = 83%	6 of 6 = 100%	8/9 = 88.9%	2 of 2 = 100%	8 of 8 = 100%
33 (12 F, 21 M)	33 (9 F, 24 M)	32 (9 F, 23 M)	22 (3 F, 19 M)	22 (3 F, 19 M)
27 (11 F, 16 M)	30 (8 F, 22 M)	29 (7 F, 22 M)	22 (3 F, 19 M)	21 (3F, 18M)
3 (OF, 3M)	1 (1 F, 0 M)	1 (1 F, 0 M)	0	1 (0 F, 1M)
3 (OF, 3M)	1 (1 F, 0 M)	1 (1 F, 0 M)	0	1 (OF, 1M)
30 (11 F, 19 M)	31 (9 F, 22 M)	30 (8 F, 22 M)	22 (3 F, 19 M)	22 (3F, 19M)
30 (11 F, 19 M)	31 (9 F, 22 M)	30 (8 F, 22 M)	22 (3 F, 19 M)	22 (3F, 19M)
30 (11 F, 19 M)	31 (9 F, 22 M)	30 (8 F, 22 M)	22 (3 F, 19 M)	22 (3F, 19M)
30 of 33 = 91%	31 of 33 = 94%	30/32 = 93.8%	100%	100%
6 (OF, 6M)	10 (OF, 10M)	20 (9F, 11M)	9 (3F, 6M)	9 (3F, 6M)
5 (OF, 5M)	5 (OF, 5M)	16 (6F, 10M)	8 (2F, 6M)	7 (3F, 4M)
1 (OF, 1M)	4 (OF, 4M)	3 (2F, 1M)	1	0
1 (OF, 1M)	2 (OF, 2M)	2 (1F, 1M)	1	0
6 (OF, 6M)	7 (0 F, 7 M)	18 (7 F, 11 M)	9 (3F, 6M)	7 (3F, 4M)
6 (OF, 6M)	7 (0 F, 7 M)	16 (6 F, 10 M)	9 (3F, 6M)	6 (3F, 3M)
6 (OF, 6M)	7 (0 F, 7 M)	16 (6 F, 10 M)	9 (3F, 6M)	6 (3F, 3M)
6 of 6 = 100%	7 of 10 = 70%	16/20 = 80%	100%	6 of 9 = 66.7%
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9 (OF, 9M)	13 (3F, 10M)	16 (6F, 10M)	11 (4F, 7M)	10 (4F, 6M)
6 (OF, 6M)	12 (3F, 9M)	14 (5F, 9M)	11 (4F, 7M)	8 (4F, 4M)
1 (OF, 1M)	1 (OF, 1M)	2 (1F, 1M)	0	0
1 (OF, 1M)	1 (OF, 1M)	1(1F. OM)	0	0 (45 4) 4)
7 (OF, 7M)	13 (3F, 10M)	15 (6F, 9M)	11 (4F, 7M)	8 (4F, 4M)
7 (OF, 7M)	13 (3F, 10M)	15 (6F, 9M)	11 (4F, 7M)	8 (4F, 4M)
7 (0F, 7M)	13 (3F, 10M)	15 (6F, 9M)	11 (4F, 7M)	8 (4F, 4M)
7 of 9 = 78%	13 of 13 = 100%	15/16 = 93.8%	100%	80%

66 (28F, 38M)	52 (28F, 24M)	42 (21F, 21M)	58 (25F, 33M)	38 (13F, 25M)
59 (25F, 34M)	48 (26F, 22M)	34 (18F, 16M)	53 (23F, 30M)	35 (11F, 24M)
4 (2F, 2M)	2 (1F, 1M)	3 (2F, 1M)	3 (2F, 1M)	1 (1F, 0M)
4 (2F, 2M)	1 (OF, 1M)	2 (2F, 0M)	3 (2F, 1M)	1 (1F, 0M)
63 (27F, 36M)	49 (26F, 23M)	36 (20F, 16M)	56 (25F, 31M)	36 (12F, 24M)
63 (27F, 36M)	49 (26F, 23M)	36 (20F, 16M)	56 (25F, 31M)	36 (12F, 24M)
63 (27F, 36M)	49 (26F, 23M)	36 (20F, 16M)	56 (25F, 31M)	36 (12F, 24M)
63 of 66 = 95%	49 of 52 = 94%	36/42 = 85.7%	56/58 = 96.6%	36/38 = 94.7%
111 of 120 = 93%	106 of 114 = 93%	96 of 110 = 87.3%	90	87

School of Medicine Nomination and Elections Committee

This committee shall consist of eleven members: the dean, the chair of the Faculty Council, the vice-chair of the Faculty Council, three other Faculty Council members, and five full-time faculty members who are not members of the Faculty Council, one each from CWRU Basic Sciences, CCLCM, MHMC, UHCMC, and VAMC.

The three Faculty Council members of the Nomination and Elections Committee shall be elected at large by the Faculty Council and shall serve for the duration of their terms as Faculty Council members.

The five non-members of the Faculty Council shall be elected by ballot by the Faculty of the respective institution (CWRU Basic Sciences, CCLCM, MHMC, UHCMC, and VAMC) and shall serve three-year terms.

The chair will be elected from the members of the committee annually.

Each year the Faculty Council shall elect a chair-elect from among current members of the Faculty Council. The Nomination and Elections Committee shall strive to nominate at least two candidates for the position of chair-elect. The chair-elect shall serve as vice-chair of the Faculty Council during the first year following election and succeed to the chair the following year. The chair of the Faculty Council (or the vice-chair of the Faculty Council in the absence of the chair) shall preside over the Faculty Council and shall be vice-chair of the Faculty of Medicine. Following completion of this term of office, the immediate past chair of the Faculty Council shall serve one additional year as a member of the Faculty Council and as a member of its Steering Committee. For procedures to be followed in the election of the officers and committees of the Faculty Council, see article 3:6b. The dean shall be requested to provide administrative support to these officers.

The Nomination and Elections Committee shall nominate (1) candidates for the chair elect of the Faculty Council from the eligible pool (all current members, see Article 3.5), (2) candidates for the Steering Committee, and (3) Faculty Council candidates for the Nomination and Elections Committee. A list of candidates for the members of the Steering Committee, and the Faculty Council members of the Nomination and Elections Committee shall be distributed to all members of the Faculty Council prior to the May Faculty Council meeting.

During the May meeting, additional nominations for all these offices shall be invited from the floor, after which the list of candidates will be finalized. Elections will commence during the week following the May meeting and remain open for at least 14 calendar days. Elections shall be conducted by electronic voting. Ballots shall include a space for write-in candidates and clearly state when elections will close. No late votes will be accepted. Elections of a floor or write-in nominee requires the nominee's consent. Candidates for chair-elect will also be candidates for the Steering Committee and will be so listed on ballots. Faculty Council members shall vote for one nominee for chair-elect and for six members of the Steering Committee. The five persons with the highest number of votes, excluding the person elected to the office of chair-elect, shall be elected to serve on the Steering Committee. If either the Steering Committee or the Nomination and Elections Committee perceives a significant deficit in the representation of faculty constituencies within its membership following the annual election, either committee may ask the chair of Faculty

Council to appoint a single ad hoc voting member to serve on the respective committee for the remainder of the year. In the case of the Steering Committee, the appointee should be a current member of the Faculty Council. In the case of the Nomination and Elections Committee, the appointee should be a regular member of the Faculty of Medicine.

In addition, the Nomination and Elections Committee shall nominate (1) candidates for the at-large representatives to the Faculty Council, (2) candidates for the representatives of the special faculty whose titles are modified by the adjective adjunct or clinical to the Faculty Council, (3) candidates for standing committees of the Faculty of Medicine, and (4) candidates for the University Faculty Senate. In the case of at-large representatives, senators, or members of the Committee on Appointments, Promotions, and Tenure, the number of candidates shall be at least twice the number of positions to be filled.

In recruiting faculty for the ballot, the Nomination and Elections Committee shall strive to produce a diverse slate of nominees, considering gender, race, institutional affiliation and representation of basic and clinical departments. A nominee may not be put on the ballot if in winning the election they would serve on more than two standing committees of the Faculty of Medicine or Faculty Council (ad hoc committees are not included in this count). Exceptions will be made only if no other candidates come forward to fill a committee vacancy.

Elections shall be conducted by email or other electronic means, using a preferential voting system. Ballots shall include a clear explanation of the preferential voting system. Ballots listing candidates for Faculty Council, senators, and standing committees of the faculty shall be mailed to all full-time members of the faculty. Ballots listing candidates for the representatives of the special faculty on the Faculty Council shall be distributed to all special faculty whose titles are modified by the adjective adjunct or clinical. Ballots listing candidates for committees dealing with the planning and approval of the curriculum, the execution of the instructional program, and the formulation of policies with regard to student affairs shall be distributed to all members of the faculty.

Elections shall be conducted as far in advance of the completion of the terms of sitting members as is practicable. Elections shall be conducted by email or other electronic means. All electronic ballots shall provide space for write-in candidates.

At least two weeks shall be allowed between the distribution of all ballots and the close of the election and determination of election results. Distribution of the ballots and the determination and publication of the election results shall be the responsibility of the Nomination and Elections Committee.

After each election, the Committee shall count the votes and publish all the vote totals. Any irregularities or issues in the conduct of the elections shall be investigated and resolved by the Committee. The Nominations and Elections Committee shall report its investigation and resolution to the Faculty Council and the Faculty of the School of Medicine. The dean shall be requested to supply administrative support for the elections.

In the event that an elected member of a standing committee of the faculty resigns during the term, the Nomination and Elections Committee of the Faculty Council shall appoint a replacement. The

first choice should be the faculty member who received the next highest number of votes in the most recent election for this committee position. Should that individual be unwilling or unable to serve, the Nomination and Elections Committee shall appoint an alternate of its choosing to the committee. In either case, this appointee may stand for election to the committee for the remainder of the term of the resigning member at the next regularly scheduled faculty election.

School of Medicine Leadership Series Fireside Chat with James Stoller, MD Moderated by Vice Dean Adrianne Crawford-Fletcher, PhD



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