DAFVM Senate Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2025
1:30 PM BOST 205.

Recording: https://vimeo.com/1082886766/c7ca145a61?fl=pl&fe=vl

DAFVM Faculty Senate Member Attendees:

Jaffe, Michael (Chair); Correa, Sandra (Co-Chair); Adhikari, Pratima (Secretary); Rios, Leyla; Franca, Fred; Lee, Alison; Han, Samin; Burke, Benjamin; Mills, Devon; Poudel, Krishna; Mathews, Rahel; Gjolson, Drew; Yu, Fei; Ganapati, Shankar; Hilbun-Benoit, Anne-Howard; Howell, George (Trey); Nanduri, Bindu; Zurweller, Brendan

Excused: Liu, Chang; Li, Tongyin; Manginsay, Natalie; Marcus McGee; Morrison Carley; Woolums, Amelia

Absent: Coker, Christine; Grissett-Hartwick, Gretchen; Karunakaran, Ganesh; Lloyd, Debra; Sparks, Bekah; VanderSchaaf, Curtis; Vance, Carrie, Wilson, Jeff

Call to Order-Meeting called to order by Dr. Michael Jaffe.

Roll Call-Recorded by Dr. Michael Jaffe

Approval of Minutes

STANDING REPORTS

No Reports from Office of the Vice President: Dr. Keith Coble

Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences & MAFES: Dr. Cory Gallo

In the undergraduate research scholars program, we had 82 students from CALS present at the symposium. This was also more than any other college at the university. We also did Dean's Hall of Fame, so each department chose and picked 2 students – 1 grad and 1 undergrad. They recently had the bureau of buildings, state legislature visit the central campus each year. They learn how much we generate in research relative to the university and how much economic impact we make. Dorman Hall update- phase 1 will be completed in January 2026. The bidding for phase 2 will start this summer. It is hoped that we might return to Dorman by 2027.
Two awards within the college that were awarded recently- Dr. SaMin Han for Zhacharis' early career award and Jess Benson for Foil-Wyatt advising award.
Within the BCH Nutrition and Health Promotion department, we are moving ahead with the department head interviews. Graduation – 72 graduate students graduated; 9 PhD

students were celebrated in a separate award ceremony. Enrollment for next year is looking up. Dealing with grants and contracts daily that are cancelled or modified.

Dean, College of Forest Resources (CFR) & Forest and Wildlife Research Center (FWRC): No report

Dean, College of Veterinary Medicine: No report

Director Extension Service: Dr. Angus Catchot
All of the units of DAFVM are closely monitoring the grant situation. Right now, there is a lack of RFPs. We are also trying to be as sympathetic as we can to the graduate students and faculty. The 4-H club congress will be hosted at the end of May with over 400 youths attending. We have >70,000 kids in the state who are involved in the 4-H. Economic impact by the university - $3.9 billion impact, of that $2.7B is from our division. The extension side is working on developing one-pagers on economic impact and launching the website on July 1. They are just waiting for the budget at the moment and are crossing their fingers.

No report on Holland Faculty Senate Updates: Dr. Alison Lee

Faculty Housing Appeals Committee. Dr. Michael Jaffe
No New Appeals. He wanted to shout out and thanks to Izzy Aguilar who went above and beyond to help with the housing for a new CVM Surgeon who moved here from Spain.

Report from Dr. Sandra Correa.
The task force for hiring new faculty has completed. they could be distributed anytime now. There is no clarity on who is going to analyze the survey. Dr. Drew Gholson is ready to share the results, too.

New Business: Dr. Jaffe thanked Drs. Correa and Adhikari for their service in the DAFVM leadership positions in the year 2024/2025.

Nomination and elected for the Vice Chair – Leyla Rios
Nomination and elected for the Secretary – Anne Hilbun
Chair – Michael Jaffe (has accepted for the next year)

Motion to adjourn: Dr. Jaffe