

Faculty Assembly Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2025

Hofheimer Hall Room 757

Present: M. Ambrozewicz, A. Cipi, J. Collins, J. Hampton, R. Handel, A. Hosseini, S. Ikonne, S. Lapsia, B. Levitt

1. Called to Order Collins
2. Approval of March's meeting minutes - minutes approved
3. Executive Vice-President's Report Collins

Due to the decisions at the federal government level, the institution's budget is significantly affected. Some faculty and staff received their termination letters. Dr. Abuhamad plans to visit the departments.

1. Guest: Dr. Ron Flenner, Vice Dean for Academic Affairs

There is currently a Medical Education Committee at EVMS. This committee decides on the curriculum and policies governing medical school students and their education. There is no need for a similar committee at the ODU Faculty Senate. Motion for creation of ODU Faculty Committee: Medical Education will be withdrawn. Discussion on this topic will start when a new dean arrives and will involve the Office of Academic Affairs.

2. Other business

- I. Update on ODU Faculty Senate (Ambrozewicz, Handel, Hosseini)

There is an ongoing effort to unify the faculty ranks across the campus (ODU and VHS) and establish criteria for the tenure and non-tenure (career) tracks by July 2026.

- II. VHS districting

The discussion was inconclusive; we will discuss this further during the next meeting.

- III. Faculty Assembly Elections -Rules

According to the Bylaws, the elections are held every other year in the spring for a two-year term. In 2024, most clinical departments responded to the call for the elections and provided the names of their senators. The newly formed basic science department (June

2024) kept the representation as they were members of the Executive Committee. They will be asked to elect the new senators.

Once the list is created, there needs to be a call to fill out the Executive Committee for the positions of President-Elect, Secretary, and a member at large.

3. Adjourn

Coming Up:

Next Meeting: **May 19, 2025**, Room 757 Hofheimer Hall, with Zoom option for those who are off campus

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