

# **University Senate** TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Title:	Transition Meeting Slate 2011
Presenter:	Tim Hackman, Chair of the Nominations Committee
Date of SEC Review:	April 8, 2011
Date of Senate Review:	May 4, 2011
Voting (highlight one):	On resolutions or recommendations one by one, or In a single vote To endorse entire report
Statement of Issue:	The Senate Nominations Committee has prepared a slate of nominees for the 2011-2012 Chair-Elect, the Senate Executive Committee (SEC), and the Committee on Committees, as well as the Senate-Elected memberships of the University Athletic Council, the Council of University System Faculty (CUSF), and the Campus Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC).
Relevant Policy # & URL:	N/A
Recommendation:	The Senate Nominations Committee recommends the attached slate of nominees for election at the May 4, 2011 Transition Meeting of the University Senate.
Committee Work:	The 2010-2011 Senate Nominations Committee was elected by the Senate on December 8, 2010. The Nominations Committee began recruitment efforts in January 2011. The Committee sent announcements for the open candidacy period to all continuing and incoming Faculty, Staff, and Student Senators.
	The Nominations Committee met on three separate occasions: January 27, 2011, February 22, 2011, and March 17, 2011.
	Members of the committee reached out to eligible candidates for all open seats and obtained written consent of all nominees, in accordance with the Bylaws of the University Senate. The Nominations Committee endeavored to create balanced slates with representation from across campus.
	The Nominations Committee voted in favor of approving the attached slate on April 1, 2011. The Chair of the Nominations Committee will secure candidates for the remaining three

	vacancies prior to the election at the Transition Meeting on May 4, 2011.
Alternatives:	To not accept the slate of nominees for election.
Risks:	There are no associated risks.
Financial Implications:	There are no financial implications.
Further Approvals Required: (*Important for PCC Items)	Senate Election, President Approval

## Slate of Candidates for the 2011-2012 Chair-Elect

Submitted by the Senate Nominations Committee

## **Chair-Elect Nominees (One will be Elected)**

Frank Alt
 Martha Nell Smith
 Robert H. Smith School of Business
 College of Arts and Humanities

### Slate of Candidates for the Senate Executive Committee, 2011-2012 Election

Submitted by the Senate Nominations Committee

#### Faculty Senator Nominees (Seven will be Elected)

Frank Alt
 Robert H. Smith School of Business

Charles Fenster
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Kenneth Fleischmann
 Gay Gullickson
 Steven Heston
 College of Information Studies
 College of Arts and Humanities
 Robert H. Smith School of Business

Daniel Lathrop
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Mark Leone College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Donald Milton School of Public HealthVincent Novara University Libraries

Steven Rolston
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Ellin Scholnick
 Office of the President

Elisabeth Smela
 A. James Clark School of Engineering

Martha Nell Smith College of Arts and Humanities

#### **Exempt Staff Senator Nominees (One will be Elected)**

Jay Elvove Office of Information Technology

Steven Petkas Division of Student Affairs

#### Non-Exempt Staff Senator Nominees (One will be Elected)

Denise Best
 Gloria Coates
 Cliffornia Royals Howard
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 Cliffornia Royals Howard
 College of Arts and Humanities

#### **Graduate Student Senator Nominees (One will be Elected)**

Jason Ethridge College of Arts and Humanities
 Andrea Goltz College of Information Studies

Joshua HiscockCarl MorrowCollege of Education

Dror Yuravlivker
 College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

## <u>Undergraduate Student Senator Nominees (Two will be Elected)</u>

Orsam Ahmed School of Public HealthVas Blagodarskiy Letters and Sciences

Jeff Calderon
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Rachel Ellis
 Robert H. Smith School of Business

• Kevin LaCherra College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Alex Miletich College of Arts and Humanities
 Evan Ponchick Robert H. Smith School of Business

## Slate of Candidates for the Committee on Committees, 2011-2012 Election

Submitted by the Senate Nominations Committee

#### Faculty Senator Nominees (Three will be Elected)

• Robert Buchanan College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Anil Gupta
 Robert H. Smith School of Business

• Wolfgang Losert College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

#### **Exempt Staff Senator Nominees (One will be Elected)**

• Marcy Marinelli Division of Student Affairs

#### <u>Graduate Student Senator Nominees (One will be Elected)</u>

Brian Coyle
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Joshua Hiscock
 College of Education

#### **Undergraduate Student Senator Nominees (One will be Elected)**

Joshua Dowling
 College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Brandon Levey College of Arts and Humanities
 David Rothenberg College of Arts and Humanities

#### Slate of Candidates for the 2011-2012 Senate-Elected Councils and Committees

Submitted by the Senate Nominations Committee

#### **Athletic Council Slate 2011-2012**

#### Faculty Representative Nominees (Three will be Elected)

Robert Dooling
 College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

• Mary Ann Hoffman College of Education

Brian Johnson
 College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

• Maryann McDermott Jones College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Linda Mabbs
 College of Arts and Humanities

Robin Sawyer
 School of Public Health

#### **Staff Representative Nominees (One will be Elected)**

Denise Best College of Arts and Humanities
 Jay Gilchrist Division of Student Affairs

## Council of University System Faculty (CUSF) Slate 2011-2012

#### Faculty Full-Time Representative Nominees (Three will be Elected)

Kenneth Holum
 William Montgomery
 College of Arts and Humanities

William Taft Stuart
 College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

#### Faculty Alternate Representative Nominees (Two will be Elected)

Bonnie Dorr
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Linda Mabbs
 College of Arts and Humanities

## **Campus Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Slate 2011-2012**

#### Faculty Representative Nominees (One will be Elected)

Stephen Henry University Libraries

#### **Staff Representative Nominees (Two will be Elected)**

Jamie Carrigan
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Cynthia Shaw
 Office of Undergraduate Studies

#### **Undergraduate Representative Nominees (One will be Elected)**

Kristen King College of Education

Seda Tolu
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

## Candidacy Statements for the Chair-Elect 2011-2012 Election

#### **Chair-Elect Nominees**

#### Frank Alt – Associate Professor, Robert H. Smith School of Business

My Ph.D. (1977) and MS (1974) are from Georgia Tech in Industrial and Systems Engineering and my B.S.E. (1967) is from the Johns Hopkins University. My research interests include statistical quality control, applied multivariate analysis and forecasting. Since my arrival at College Park in 1977, I have taught a variety of statistics courses at all levels, chaired 12 dissertations and served on six dozen dissertation committees. I am a four time recipient of the Smith School's Krowe Award for Teaching Excellence, a recipient of the Distinguished IBM-TQ Teaching Award and was named a faculty mentor in The Merrill Presidential Scholars Program.

I worked with three other faculty in founding the Academy for Excellence in Teaching and Learning [www.aetl.umd.edu] and served as Co-chair and Chair. I participated in the development of and taught in the QUEST (formerly IBM) Program.

In the Smith Business School, I have served as Ph.D. Director for 4.5 years and Chair of its Graduate Committee for 5 years. I was a member of the Council for University System Faculty for six years, chaired its Administrative and Financial Affairs Committee and served on the Regents' Award Committee for two years. I have been a member of the Faculty Advisory Council to MHEC since 2004, served as Vice-Chair for 3 years and currently serve as Chair. I was a committee member on the 2009 State Plan for Postsecondary Education and twice testified in Annapolis in favor of the textbook affordability law.

May 2011 marks the beginning of my third term on the Senate. In the 2002-2003 AY, I was a member of its Executive Committee and Nominations Committee. I truly believe in shared governance and that the Senate is the vehicle for accomplishing this. The Senate enjoys the enviable position of advising President Loh on a wide range of issues concerning this campus and its community. The outcomes of searches for senior level administrators, including that of the Senior Vice President and Provost, will greatly influence the direction of this campus, as will the possible merger between our flagship campus and UMD at Baltimore. This is indeed a very exciting and challenging period for this campus and one in which the Senate can play a key role by being an advisory body to President Loh.

Although each senator represents a constituency, I believe each senator's responsibility is to choose that course of action which is in the best interest of *all* constituencies and stakeholders.

I was both pleased and humbled to be asked to run for Chair-Elect. I believe that my active participation at the department, school, campus, system and state levels provides me with a wide range of diverse experience if I am elected Chair. I welcome and appreciate your support.

#### Martha Nell Smith – Professor, College of Arts and Humanities

Considering citizenship one of the most important qualities of a university professor, Martha Nell Smith has been active in faculty governance since arriving on the University of Maryland campus in 1986, serving in various administrative capacities and also on a wide range of department, college, and university committees (including search committees for Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Vice President and Chief Information Officer, Dean of the College of Information Studies). At present she chairs the University Library Council and serves on the Senate Executive Committee.

Smith is Professor of English and Founding Director of the Maryland Institute for Technology in the Humanities (MITH <a href="http://www.mith.umd.edu">http://www.mith.umd.edu</a>) at the University of Maryland; Smith is also Affiliate Professor of Women's Studies, LGBT Studies, American Studies, Theatre, the Consortium on Race, Gender, Ethnicity (CRGE), and the Human-Computer Interaction Lab (HCIL). Her numerous print publications include five books, three of them award-winning—Emily Dickinson, A User's Guide (January 2012); Companion to Emily Dickinson (2008), coedited with Mary Loeffelholz; Open Me Carefully: Emily Dickinson's Intimate Letters to Susan Dickinson (1998), coauthored with Ellen Louise Hart; Comic Power in Emily Dickinson (1993), coauthored with Cristanne Miller and Suzanne Juhasz; Rowing in Eden: Rereading Emily Dickinson (1992)—and scores of articles and essays in American Literature, Studies in the Literary Imagination, South Atlantic Quarterly, Women's Studies Quarterly, Profils Americains, San Jose Studies, The Emily Dickinson Journal, ESQ, and A Companion to Digital Humanities. The recipient of numerous awards from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), the Mellon Foundation, and the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE) for her work on Dickinson, American literary history, and in new media, Smith is also Coordinator and Executive Editor of the Dickinson Electronic Archives projects at the Institute for Advanced Technology in the Humanities (IATH) at the University of Virginia <a href="http://emilydickinson.org">http://emilydickinson.org</a>. With Lara Vetter, Smith co-edited Emily Dickinson's Correspondence: A Born-Digital Textual Inquiry (2008) published by Rotunda New Digital Scholarship, University of Virginia Press. With teams at the University of Illinois, University of Virginia, University of Nebraska, University of Alberta, and Northwestern University, Smith has worked on two interrelated Mellon-sponsored data mining and visualization initiative, NORA <a href="http://www.noraproject.org">http://www.noraproject.org</a> and MONK (Metadata Offer New Knowledge) <a href="http://www.monkproject.org/">http://www.monkproject.org/</a>. Smith also serves on the editorial board and steering committee of NINES (Networked Interface for Nineteenth-Century Electronic Scholarship; <a href="http://www.nines.org/">http://www.nines.org/</a>), is on numerous advisory boards of digital literary projects such as The Poetess Archive <a href="http://www.orgs.muohio.edu/womenpoets/poetess/">http://www.orgs.muohio.edu/womenpoets/poetess/</a>, Digital Dickens, and the Melville Electronic Library (MEL), serves on a number of editorial boards (such as The Emily Dickinson Journal and Textual Cultures), and is a founding board member of C19: The Society of Nineteenth-Century Americanists. A leader in innovations in academic publishing, Smith served on the Executive Council of the Association for Computers in the Humanities (2001-2004), and co-chaired the Modern Language Association (MLA)'s Committee on Scholarly Editions (CSE, 2004-2008). For

outstanding scholarly achievement and innovative leadership in which diversity inheres in any definition of excellence, Livingston College at Rutgers University awarded Smith its Distinguished Alumni Award in 2009, the highest honor that the college bestows upon its former students. Smith has also been named a Distinguished Scholar-Teacher at the University of Maryland, 2010-2011, as well as an ADVANCE Professor early in 2011 (the ADVANCE Program fosters a culture of inclusive excellence).

Smith would welcome the opportunity to serve as Chair-Elect and would advocate for stronger faculty governance, for even more effective lobbying of state government on behalf of the university, and for deeper and richer interdisciplinary collaborations. Smith repeatedly makes the case for investing in higher education to the public-atlarge and her work has been featured in publications such as The New York Times and the The Los Angeles Times. At UM she enthusiastically participates in programs addressing educational concerns of national, state, and local import such as the Diversity, Democracy, and Higher Education colloquy on April 11<sup>th</sup> (http://www.provost.umd.edu/diversity/). A version of "The Humanities Are Not a Luxury: A Manifesto for the 21st Century," her Distinguished Scholar-Teacher lecture, has just been published in Liberal Education, and an extended version that argues for investing in all areas of postsecondary education will be published in book form by Wiley-Blackwell in early 2012. These trying times can be ones of opportunity and advancement, and she is keen to continue serving and working with her colleagues across the university in making them so.

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As a member of the Executive Committee, I intend to fully execute the Charge to the Executive Committee as stipulated in Article 4 of the Senate's Bylaws. This includes the responsibilities of "serving as a channel" through which any all members of the campus community can bring matters of concern to the Senate.

I am pleased to be nominated to the Executive Committee, and I welcome and appreciate your support.

#### Charles Fenster – Professor, College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

High school diploma: Stuyvesant (NYC); BA: Amherst College; PhD: University of Chicago. Prior to coming to UMD in 1989 I was a postdoc at the University of Toronto, and since then have spent my sabbaticals at University of Edinburgh and the Chinese Academy of Sciences. I also had a two year leave of absence (1999-2001) as a Professor at the Norwegian Science and Technical University (NTNU) in Trondheim. I have taught numerous undergraduate courses at UMD, at the introductory and advanced levels as well as graduate courses, all focused on evolution and or genetics. I have involved > 40 undergraduates in my research, mostly through NSF REU programs.

My most important service to campus has been as graduate director of the interdepartmental graduate program in Behavior, Ecology, Evolution and Systematics (BEES). I direct the program as transparently as possible, trying to gain consensus on graduate recruitment, and the way the program allocates its budget. At the national level, I have just stepped down from three years as the executive vice president of an academic and professional society, Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE). At SSE I was the chief financial officer, responsible for overseeing our

endowment, preparing financial reports and leading a number of executive councils in important publishing and reorganization endeavors. I am currently on the board of directors for the American Institute of Biological Sciences (AIBS). I wish to emphasize that I have found the construction of goals and the implementation of missions a very satisfying intellectual pursuit. Furthermore, I have found that generally council decisions are made by consensus, with differences being hammered out into constructive options in a civil manner. Thus it would be a privilege for me to have the opportunity to work with the senate executive committee to facilitate the activities of the faculty senate.

#### Kenneth Fleischmann – Associate Professor, College of Information Studies

Ken Fleischmann is an Associate Professor in the College of Information Studies at the University of Maryland. He has a highly interdisciplinary background, with undergraduate majors in computer science and anthropology from Case Western Reserve University and masters and doctoral degrees in the interdisciplinary field of science and technology studies from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. His research has been funded by seven grants and fellowships from the National Science Foundation, and his research has published in journals such as *Communications of the ACM, Computer, Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology, Educational Technology & Society, Telecommunications Policy,* and *Biosecurity and Bioterrorism.* He serves on the Editorial Boards of *The Information Society* and *Library Quarterly,* and in 2010-2011 he has served on the program committees of the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science and Technology, Library Research Seminar V, the Workshop on Ethics in Computer Security Research, and the International Conference on Social Computing and Behavioral Modeling.

His research focuses on the ethical implications of the role that values such as transparency can play in the design and use of information technology. His intellectual commitment to ethics, values, and transparency spans his research, teaching, and service. He created the first courses in information ethics at the graduate and undergraduate levels at Maryland's iSchool, including creating and teaching a new I-Series course, The Ethics of Information Technology in a Multicultural World. In these courses, he covers ethical theories from across time and across the globe, including expanding the range of ethical theories to include non-Western (Confucianism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, Ubuntu) and feminist (ethics of care, standpoint epistemology) perspectives. Also, in these courses he uses an educational simulation that he developed through funding from NSF. He has served his College as Doctoral Program Director, Equity Officer, Library Liaison, Undergraduate Committee Chair, and as a member of the Programs, Curricula, and Courses Committee and the College Council. He has also served the University by serving on the University Senate, the Office of Undergraduate Studies' First Year Book Committee, and the Graduate School's Task Force on Responsible Conduct of Research and Scholarly Integrity.

#### **Gay Gullickson – Professor, College of Arts and Humanities**

I have graduate degrees in religion and history from Yale and the University of North Carolina, and have been a member of the University of Maryland history department since 1982. My research and teaching are in the field of European women's history. I am chair of the President's Commission on Disability Issues and serve on the Architectural Design Standards Board and the University Senate, as well as on a variety of committees in the history department. The issues that I think will be most important to the Senate, and which I would like to address next year, are 1) the effect of the proposed merger of UMCP and UMB on shared governance and on our University Senate; 2) the effect of continuing budget cuts on the University; and 3) the place of the humanities and the liberal arts in undergraduate and graduate education.

#### Steven Heston – Associate Professor, Robert H. Smith School of Business

I have been a ladder-track finance professor at various business schools since 1989 (with a four-year intermission on Wall Street), and at the University of Maryland since 2002. My research involves mathematical option models and econometric testing of investment theories. I am a first-year faculty senator. I am also University of Maryland alum (B.S. in Math and Economics, 1983).

I have no particular agenda. My bias is to support strong discipline-based research and teaching programs and to give different schools flexibility and autonomy.

#### Daniel Lathrop - Professor, College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Dr. Lathrop is a Professor of Physics and Geology. He is part of the Nonlinear Dynamics and Chaos group; his research focuses on turbulent fluid flows, geomagnetism, and superfluid helium experiments. Dr. Lathrop received a B.A. in physics from the University of California at Berkeley in 1987, and a Ph.D. in physics from the University of Texas at Austin in 1991. He served at Yale University as a postdoctoral fellow, research affiliate, and lecturer, and at Emory University as Assistant Professor. He joined the University of Maryland in 1997, the year he received a Presidential Early Career Award from the NSF. In 2005, he was elected a Fellow of the American Physical Society. Dr. Lathrop is currently Director of the Institute for Research in Electronics and Applied Physics (IREAP), a large cross-disciplinary institute spanning engineering and the physical sciences. In addition, he is an I-Series and Marquee lecturer in the course "Physics for Decision Makers: Global Energy Crisis," that emphasizes knowledge needed by future business leaders and policy makers on energy issues. As an example of his on-campus service, Dr. Lathrop gives lectures to young researchers on proposal planning and preparation. In addition, he is devoting considerable time to building better ties between campus and nearby federal partners. These efforts have recently resulted in \$30M in new funding to campus from NIST.

#### Mark Leone - Professor, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Mark P. Leone is professor in the Department of Anthropology. He is an archaeologist who has taught at UMCP since 1976. Leone is best known professionally for founding Archaeology in Annapolis where has excavated over 40 archaeological sites since 1981. This archaeological project was the first in the nation to open excavations to the public, free.

Leone was Chair of the University Senate in 2000. He was also Chair of the Department of Anthropology for 10 years, beginning in 1993. He has a strong interest in faculty governance and has worked hard to promote staff interests, better benefits for all University employees, and stronger efforts on behalf of University lobbying, particularly on Capitol Hill. His strongest commitment is in sustaining and enhancing faculty and staff salaries.

#### Donald Milton - Professor, School of Public Health

I earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from UMBC, a doctorate in medicine from The Johns Hopkins University, and a doctorate in public health from Harvard University. Prior to joining the faculty of the University of Maryland School of Public Health in 2009, I was a member of the faculty in the University of Massachusetts Lowell School of Health and Environment, and before that the faculty of the Harvard School of Public Health. Over the years I've taught toxicology, aerobiology, and respiratory epidemiology and physiology at the graduate level. NIH and CDC grants and contracts fund my research on asthma, airborne infection transmission, and exhaled breath analysis. I am currently serving on the UMCP IRB. It is very exciting to be part of building the new School of Public Health here at Maryland. By serving on the executive committee, I hope to help integrate the School's new academic units and faculty into the larger University. As a member of the committee, I will bring a perspective from the inherently interdisciplinary field of environmental public health, and experience from nineteen years of being a full-time faculty member at other universities.

#### Vincent Novara - Librarian II, University Libraries

I am honored to accept the nomination from my peers to run for the Senate Executive Committee. In 2005, I was appointed to the Libraries' faculty as a curator in the Michelle Smith Performing Arts Library. For the Libraries I have served my colleagues on numerous committees in support of shared-governance. The actions of these committees included overseeing faculty annual review; developing a mentoring program for faculty; and serving on the Library Assembly Advisory Council, an initiating body that suggests potential action by the Assembly, reports to the Assembly on the implementation of policies, and serves as a conduit to the Libraries' administration regarding shared-governance.

I have been at the university for eighteen years in various roles, including undergraduate transfer student, graduate student, contractual archivist, permanent staff, and currently as in a faculty position as a manuscript curator. Curators contribute to many areas for a thriving academic institution. As a manager of multiple reports I am responsible for recruitment, retention, performance review, and developing entry-level staff into successful professionals. As a fundraiser and cultivator of gift collections, I have attracted many new donors to the university and understand the importance of building such external relations to advance the educational mission of the institution. My research supports the fields of the performing arts, archives, and the academic library profession. I believe my experience at the university defines an ideal candidate for the Senate Executive Committee, and I look forward to serving the campus community in that capacity.

#### Carol Rogers – Professor of the Practice, Philip Merrill College of Journalism

I have been a member of the University of Maryland community since fall 1990, when I came to campus on a University Fellowship to get my Ph.D. During more than 20 years, I have experienced the University from a number of different vantage points: doctoral student, teaching assistant, Ph.D. alumna, part-time and full-time lecturer, and now Professor of the Practice. My commitment to the University and to shared governance is reflected in my numerous activities, including membership on the Graduate Council, first in 2005-2008 and again during the current academic year, and on the CORE Committee, which is drafting the charge for the new committee that will have oversight of the University's transformative undergraduate curriculum. Within the Merrill College of Journalism, I have been regularly elected to the Faculty Advisory Committee and I was a member of the committee that drafted the College's Plan of Organization. I have also taught in the Honors Program and in College Park Scholars and at all academic levels and have served on numerous dissertation and thesis committees. I believe the breadth of my experience will enable me to be an effective member of the Senate Executive Committee and I would welcome having the opportunity.

#### Steven Rolston - Professor, College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

I received a B.S. in Physics from Wesleyan University and a Ph.D. in Physics from SUNY Stony Brook. After 15 years as a research scientist at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, I joined the University as a Professor in the Physics Department in 2003. My research is in experimental atomic physics, focusing on using ultracold atoms to explore fundamental problems in atomic, plasma, and condensed-matter physics. As a faculty member, I served for three years as the Associate Chair for Facilities and Personnel in the Physics Department, and am currently the UMD co-Director of the Joint Quantum Institute, a major collaboration between the University and NIST. I have served on the Facilities Advisory Committee, and have been deeply involved in the scientific and technical issues associated with the Purple Line as a member of the Purple Line Working Group. I am a member of the Physical Science Complex Planning Committee, and have worked with FM on this building project from its inception, as well as on multiple renovation projects on campus. I co-developed a Marquee course targeted to non-science majors on issues of climate change and energy, and am a Marquee Professor of Science and Technology. Coming from a liberal arts undergraduate experience, I understand the importance of maintaining a

complete educational experience, while nurturing and supporting the needs and goals of a major research institution.

#### Ellin Scholnick - Professor Emerita & Faculty Ombudsperson, Office of the President

The Senate (and particularly the Senate Executive Committee) is the prime vehicle for examination of concerns that shape the direction of the university. It is a core embodiment of shared governance and I would consider it a privilege to be able to participate in its deliberations. I might provide a unique perspective on shared governance, having served as both a faculty member and an administrator. I am currently Professor Emerita in Psychology and Faculty Ombudsperson. I have been deeply involved with the Senate. I have served as a senator representing the Psychology Department and, as a former Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs, I have been a member of the Senate Executive Committee. My experience has enabled me to see what the Senate can accomplish. I have been a member of committees and taskforces that have generated policies dealing with merit pay, mentoring, appointment, promotion and tenure, and a host of family friendly policies such as delay of the tenure clock. The ombuds position is also a lens for evaluating the impact of policies passed by the Senate and locating where they might need fine tuning. Moreover, the pattern of issues that faculty bring to the ombuds provides insight into neglected areas and populations, such as the work conditions of research faculty and the process of making a transition into retirement.

#### Elisabeth Smela - Associate Professor, A. James Clark School of Engineering

Elisabeth Smela is currently serving on the Senate Executive Committee and is a candidate for a second year.

Dr. Smela is an Associate Professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, an affiliate faculty member with the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, and a member of the Graduate Program of the Department of BioEngineering. Prior to 2000, she was Vice President of Research and Development at the start-up company Santa Fe Science and Technology. Her expertise is in micro-electro-mechanical systems (MEMS) and electroactive polymers. She has published in numerous high-impact journals, including three papers in Science. She receives funding from the NSF, the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, the Army Research Office, and the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, among others. She is the recipient of NSF's Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE), the Clark School's Kent Junior Faculty Teaching Award, the Office of Technology Commercialization's Outstanding Invention of 2004, the DuPont Young Professor Award, and the Pi Tau Sigma (Mechanical Engineering Honor Society) Purple Camshaft teaching award. She has graduated 4 Ph.D. students and five M.S. students, and she has supervised nearly 30 undergraduate students in her laboratory.

Her commitment to her department, college, university, and the larger research community is demonstrated by her record of service and education. Since joining the University of Maryland, she has participation in numerous departmental committees (including the Mechanical Engineering Self-Study Committee, Merit Pay Salary Committee, and a number of search committees), and she organized and ran, for five years, a seminar series, held biweekly throughout the year, for graduate students to present their work in the area of micro-systems. At the college level, she is currently on the APT committee and is participating in planning for the implementation of the Strategic Plan for the Clark School. She served as a faculty advisor for two trips to Burkina Faso with students from Engineers Without Borders for the installation of solar powered lighting in village schools. She has served on the faculty teaching award committee, the Engineering Council, the FabLab (clean room) steering committee, and several faculty and administrative search committees. At the university level, she is a senator and a member of the Faculty Affairs Committee, as well as a member of the SEC. She worked with Ellin Scholnick and Sally Koblinsky on the new university policy granting a part-time option upon the birth or adoption of a child. She is also a member of the Presidential/Senate Faculty Merit Pay Policy Task Force, leading the sub-committee on surveying the faculty. Regarding professional service, she reviews extensively for numerous journals, including Science, Nature Materials,

Lab on a Chip, and other prestigious publications. She is also active in organizing conferences and is working with a colleague to establish a new journal.

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Considering citizenship one of the most important qualities of a university professor, Martha Nell Smith has been active in faculty governance since arriving on the University of Maryland campus in 1986, serving in various administrative capacities and also on a wide range of department, college, and university committees (including search committees for Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Vice President and Chief Information Officer, Dean of the College of Information Studies). At present she chairs the University Library Council and serves on the Senate Executive Committee.

Smith is Professor of English and Founding Director of the Maryland Institute for Technology in the Humanities (MITH < <a href="http://www.mith.umd.edu">http://www.mith.umd.edu</a>) at the University of Maryland; Smith is also Affiliate Professor of Women's Studies, LGBT Studies, American Studies, Theatre, the Consortium on Race, Gender, Ethnicity (CRGE), and the

Human-Computer Interaction Lab (HCIL). Her numerous print publications include five books, three of them award-winning—Emily Dickinson, A User's Guide (January 2012); Companion to Emily Dickinson (2008), coedited with Mary Loeffelholz; Open Me Carefully: Emily Dickinson's Intimate Letters to Susan Dickinson (1998), coauthored with Ellen Louise Hart; Comic Power in Emily Dickinson (1993), coauthored with Cristanne Miller and Suzanne Juhasz; Rowing in Eden: Rereading Emily Dickinson (1992)—and scores of articles and essays in American Literature, Studies in the Literary Imagination, South Atlantic Quarterly, Women's Studies Quarterly, Profils Americains, San Jose Studies, The Emily Dickinson Journal, ESQ, and A Companion to Digital Humanities. The recipient of numerous awards from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), the Mellon Foundation, and the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE) for her work on Dickinson, American literary history, and in new media, Smith is also Coordinator and Executive Editor of the Dickinson Electronic Archives projects at the Institute for Advanced Technology in the Humanities (IATH) at the University of Virginia <a href="http://emilydickinson.org">http://emilydickinson.org</a>. With Lara Vetter, Smith co-edited Emily Dickinson's Correspondence: A Born-Digital Textual Inquiry (2008) published by Rotunda New Digital Scholarship, University of Virginia Press. With teams at the University of Illinois, University of Virginia, University of Nebraska, University of Alberta, and Northwestern University, Smith has worked on two interrelated Mellon-sponsored data mining and visualization initiative, NORA <a href="http://www.noraproject.org">http://www.noraproject.org</a> and MONK (Metadata Offer New Knowledge) <a href="http://www.monkproject.org/">http://www.monkproject.org/</a>. Smith also serves on the editorial board and steering committee of NINES (Networked Interface for Nineteenth-Century Electronic Scholarship; <a href="http://www.nines.org/">http://www.nines.org/</a>), is on numerous advisory boards of digital literary projects such as The Poetess Archive <a href="http://www.orgs.muohio.edu/womenpoets/poetess/">http://www.orgs.muohio.edu/womenpoets/poetess/</a>, Digital Dickens, and the Melville Electronic Library (MEL), serves on a number of editorial boards (such as The Emily Dickinson Journal and Textual Cultures), and is a founding board member of C19: The Society of Nineteenth-Century Americanists. A leader in innovations in academic publishing, Smith served on the Executive Council of the Association for Computers in the Humanities (2001-2004), and co-chaired the Modern Language Association (MLA)'s Committee on Scholarly Editions (CSE, 2004-2008). For outstanding scholarly achievement and innovative leadership in which diversity inheres in any definition of excellence, Livingston College at Rutgers University awarded Smith its Distinguished Alumni Award in 2009, the highest honor that the college bestows upon its former students. Smith has also been named a Distinguished Scholar-Teacher at the University of Maryland, 2010-2011, as well as an ADVANCE Professor early in 2011 (the

Smith would welcome the opportunity to serve on the Senate Executive Committee and would advocate for stronger faculty governance, for even more effective lobbying of state government on behalf of the university, and for deeper and richer interdisciplinary collaborations. Smith repeatedly makes the case for investing in higher education to the public-at-large and her work has been featured in publications such as *The New York Times* and

the *The Los Angeles Times*. At UM she enthusiastically participates in programs addressing educational concerns of national, state, and local import such as the *Diversity, Democracy, and Higher Education* colloquy on April 11<sup>th</sup> (<a href="http://www.provost.umd.edu/diversity/">http://www.provost.umd.edu/diversity/</a>). A version of "The Humanities Are Not a Luxury: A Manifesto for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," her Distinguished Scholar-Teacher lecture, has just been published in *Liberal Education*, and an extended version that argues for investing in all areas of postsecondary education will be published in book form by Wiley-Blackwell in early 2012. These trying times can be ones of opportunity and advancement, and she is keen to continue serving and working with her colleagues across the university in making them so.

#### **Exempt Staff Senator Nominees**

#### Jay Elvove – Office of Information Technology

I have been employed by the University of Maryland, College Park for more than 32 years, during which time I have had the good fortune to work with faculty in every college and school and staff within every division. In addition to providing and later managing various IT services, I have been involved in many other campus activities, including serving very early in my career as a member of the University Senate, staff representative on the Senate Executive Committee, and Chair of the Staff Affairs Committee. I have also served on the board of an international user group, and I successfully completed both the university's Leadership Development Institute (LDI) and the EDUCAUSE Institute Management Program. Last year, I was appointed to the University Sustainability Council, and in January 2011, I was chosen to head OIT's new Client Relations office. Extracurricular activities include obtaining a master's and six bachelor's degrees and participating at every annual Maryland Day event but one.

I am always seeking ways to improve processes and foster better communication at all levels of the university. I am a perennial learner with an insatiable curiosity. I strive to be creative, upbeat, fair, open, and honest in everything I do. I am excited at the prospect of serving on the Senate Executive Committee. I look forward to representing and engaging constituents, keeping them abreast of and involved in important issues, and doing what I can to continue making a positive difference at the university.

#### Steven Petkas - Division of Student Affairs

I am excited by and committed to the prospect of continuing to represent exempt staff on the Senate Executive Committee for the coming year. I offer the insights, critical thinking and strong representative presence gained from over 26 years of service in the Department of Resident Life at the University of Maryland amidst a 34 year career in professional service at four major Universities. I wholeheartedly believe in the value of shared governance in an intellectual community and fervently wish to further the continuing ascendance of this fine institution.

My professional experiences include senior department management, policy formulation, program and staff administration, staff development and training, course curriculum design, student teaching and training, and student behavior management. Among my contributions are the reconstitution of the student Residence Halls Association (RHA) and the creation and establishment of the Common Ground Multicultural Dialogue Program. As the senior advisor to RHA I foster deliberation on shared management and governance decisions between student leaders and senior administrators in the Division of Student Affairs. Common Ground brings diverse groups of students together to engage in dialogue on provocative and potentially divisive multicultural issues. Central to these programs are sound deliberation, collaboration, and dialogue, all of which are crucial to shared governance.

During the past year the Senate Executive Committee has orchestrated Senate activities and advised the President on such critical issues as employee furlough plans, campus safety issues, retirement and pension benefits, college mergers and reorganizations, policies addressing student behavior with alcohol, and the campus' Diversity Strategic

Plan and Undergraduate Education Implementation Plan. Issues such as these demand a seasoned, assertive and collaborative voice representing exempt staff.

I hope you will allow me to continue to be a voice speaking for exempt staff on the Senate Executive Committee as we work in the interest of caring and collaborative leadership within the University Senate. My candidacy is dedicated to the furtherance of our collective achievements as an intellectual community and the quality of the education provided to students by the University of Maryland.

### Non-Exempt Staff Senator Nominees

#### Denise Best - College of Arts and Humanities

Hello my name is Denise Marie Best. I'm currently the Administrative Assistant II for STARTALK project at the National Foreign Language Center (NFLC) where I have worked since February 2008. My job duties include coordinating travel and reimbursement for the STARTALK 2008-2011 Summer Award Programs and coordinating STARTALK meetings. Recently I have been assigned to setup and maintain a conferencing database for all of the NFLC. I have over 24 years experience at the University of Maryland working in both research divisions and educational units. In 1987 I started my career at the University of Maryland, System Research Center as the Technical Assistant to the Director Dr. John Baras. From 1988 to 1995 I worked in the Electrical Engineering Department as a Word Processing Operating and promoted to an Administrative Assistant I. I was assigned to work for over 62 professors including Dr. William Destler, Nariman Farvardin, Joseph Ja'Ja, and their graduate and undergraduate students. In 1995 I started work at the Microbiology Department as the Administrative Assistant II for the Ex-Provost Dr. Rita Colwell and Dr. Anwar Huq. I assisted with moving the Dr. Colwell's laboratory from the University of Maryland Campus to the Center of Marine Biotechnology Center in the Inner Harbor of Baltimore, Maryland. In 1997-2008 I worked as the Administrative Assistant II for Drs. Amy Weinberg, David Doermann, Philip Resnik, Bonnie Dorr, Doug Oard, Louiqa Rashid in the Language and Media Processing Laboratory as well as the Computational Linguistics and Information Processing.

In the Early 80's I worked at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) headquarters with the Commercial Programs, Code C. I was the Administrative assistant to the Director, Dr. Isaac Gilliam and held a Top Secret Security Clearance. I also worked at the Science Management Corporation. There I developed and trained staff on the use of databases for the Selective Service Agency, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Education, and many more agencies within the Federal Government Region 3 contracts.

I have a history with the University of Maryland's current and past leadership, as well as a deep respect for its faculty, staff, and especially its students. I am loyal, dedicated, and always interested in learning. I am comfortable with expressing the average staff member's point of view, yet sensitive enough to realize that we are facing challenging times. I like to think outside of the box for solutions and have good common sense. I consider no task beneath me and no challenge insurmountable. I consider myself a positive person and would be honored to serve on the Executive Committee.

#### Gloria Coates - Division of Administrative Affairs

My name is Gloria Coates and I have been at the University for approximately 3 years. When I began at this University I was extremely enthralled by the culture and environment here. I found myself grasping every chance to explore campus. Three years later, I still find that I welcome any opportunity to visit the other departments on campus. My current position in the Comptroller's Payroll office has allowed me to assist a diverse group of employees. As an outgoing Senator, I would consider it a great honor to be a part of the Senate Executive Committee. During my tenure as a representative, I voted on many occasions on subjects that I was able to see its direct impact. I took great pride in this.

If elected into this position. I will ensure that I will be the best representative possible. I embrace this privilege to represent my peer group at this great institution. I look forward to the chance to experience the campus administration and how it functions on another level. If elected as a member of the Senate Executive Committee, I will do my best to represent my peer group on campus effectively.

#### Cliffornia Royals Howard – College of Arts and Humanities

Cliffornia Royals-Howard is the Program Management Assistant for the Women's Studies program. I've been employed with the University, in the Women's Studies Department since 2004. I am currently attending University of Maryland University College, and hope to graduate with the bachelor's degree in Psychology this spring. I am responsible for managing the graduate program admissions and student review process, as well as executive assistant to the chair and the graduate director. I provide administrative and clerical support to our faculty members and graduate students. Working with the Women's Studies Department has really been a motivating force in my life to stay uplifted and uplift someone else who needs it, which fuels my fire to continue in the cycle life.

I have over twelve years experience working in the higher education environment, always as a staff person, sitting by watching decisions being made by committees and the administration. I decided to run for the Senate a few of years ago, when I saw an email about the Senate needing volunteers to step up and take part in one of the most important bodies on university campuses. I became excited to think I would be able to join and actually listen to senate leaders, vote, and decide on important policies and procedures needed at the University. I have served for about two years as a senator for non-exempt employees and one year on the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee and both has been an experience that has taught me a great deal about the University and its policies. It has really been an honor for me to serve on both these Senate groups. I would consider it a great honor to be selected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Senate. I believe I can offer a sound opinion that is representative of non-exempt employees here at the University. If elected, I will happily serve on the committee in whatever capacity needed.

#### **Graduate Student Senator Nominees**

#### Jason Ethridge – College of Arts and Humanities

I would like to serve as the Graduate member of the Senate Executive Committee for the 2011-12 school year. I am currently pursuing a Master's of Music in Instrumental Conducting, which gives me the opportunity to lead performances with University of Maryland orchestras. In addition to my leadership experience in music, I have a significant background as a philanthropy director and community relations representative. These positions have taught me the importance of being responsive to the needs and concerns of those I have had the opportunity to lead. I am committed to advocating for graduate students at the university. I am also running for an executive position in the Graduate Student Government. Additionally, I have extensive public speaking experience, making me a strong organizational spokesperson.

My goals for this position are to assist with the implementation of current university policy, to offer creative solutions for community issues, and to help the Senate develop policies to enhance the educational opportunities on this campus. I would eagerly take on the additional commitment and responsibility that this position entails and am strongly committed to furthering the objectives of the University Senate and the graduate students I would represent.

#### Andrea Goltz - College of Information Studies

Being elected to the University of Maryland Senate in the first place has been a very exciting experience, and I look forward to working with fellow Senators in the 2011-12 year. Now, I wish to serve our collegiate community even more as a member of the Senate Executive Committee.

I have a wide variety of experience in both academic and corporate spheres. I received my first Masters degree in Art History while a teaching assistant, and am currently in the Library Science program at Maryland's iSchool. Between these two endeavors, I worked for several years in corporate financial analysis. I currently hold a research assistantship with the Office of Faculty Affairs, which already has exposed me to in-depth procedural and administrative practices. I would draw on my intimate knowledge of academia, familiarity with executive decision processes, and ability to synthesize information for coherent summary when evaluating how to approach issues before the SEC. As I plan to be an academic librarian upon completion of my MLS, I consider the defense and improvement of university affairs to be my vocation, and I wish to take this opportunity to begin dedicated work now. I realize that higher education is facing difficult challenges in today's climate, but I am thankful that Maryland has avoided the drastic measures proposed for some other state institutions. I feel that by serving on the SEC, I can help our university weather these obstacles in a significant way, while increasing our reputation as a leading educational and research institution.

#### Joshua Hiscock - College of Education

Joshua Hiscock holds a B.A. in American Studies from The George Washington University and a M.A. in Counseling & Personnel Services from the University of Maryland - College Park. He is currently a doctoral student in the College Student Personnel Administration program in the College of Education. As the Graduate Coordinator for the Minor in Leadership Studies, Josh is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the minor including academic advising, curriculum development, and program planning. Through this role, Josh also serves as an instructor for undergraduate courses in leadership development. In addition, Josh works as the Coordinator for the National Clearinghouse for Leadership Programs where he is responsible for coordinating publications, managing strategic partnerships, and addressing member concerns.

As a student affairs professional for many years, Josh has extensive experience in developing, interpreting, and implementing policy that directly affects students. He takes a collaborative approach to this process and believes in inclusive decision-making. Moreover, Josh is incredibly approachable and is capable of creating networks and connections across campus to promote the Senate and encourage campus constituencies to introduce matters of consideration to the Senate. If selected to be a part of the SEC, Josh plans to actively engage with graduate students to represent their views and perspectives in the shared governance structure. Josh has extensive experience with strategic planning, conflict management, group dynamics, and organizational development - all skills that may be an asset to the Senate Executive Committee.

#### Carl Morrow – College of Education

My name is Carl Morrow, and I am a fifth-year doctoral student in the Higher Education Program here at Maryland. I am thankful that Maryland has afforded me many opportunities to learn about university governance, and it would be an honor to give back to the University by serving on the Senate Executive Committee.

I feel I am qualified to serve on the Committee for the following reasons. First, my PhD studies in the Higher Education Program have given me academic insight into issues of university governance and educational policy at the institutional, state, and federal levels. Second, my employment record has given me vast real world experience as I balanced multiple priorities while continuing my education. Third, my academic training in communication, leadership, and organizational studies has equipped me to make an immediate substantive contribution to the

Committee. And last, my standing as a student leader (on the EDHI Graduate Student Association Executive Board and the College of Education Assembly) and my committee memberships as a graduate assistant (on Department of Resident Life committees and on the Student Affairs Learning Outcomes Group) have exposed me to the innerworkings of an academic department, a college, and a university division here at Maryland.

#### Dror Yuravlivker - College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Hello fellow graduate students! I'm a second-year graduate student in Government/Politics and a returning senator, and I'd like to serve you on the Senate Executive Committee (SEC). As a second-year, I am committed to the university and the well-being of its students for several years to come — which is one reason I've lobbied state legislators in Annapolis on the university's behalf. With past experience in the Senate and interest in our future, I will help ensure that graduate students' concerns are heard, that our needs are met while we're here at Maryland.

What additional experience can I contribute? Before coming to UMD, I taught History and Politics in a high school in London, England. I headed my academic department, cooperating with other department heads and senior management on policies, budgets, calendars, and other administrative issues. The organizational skills I developed would be particularly useful on the SEC, which brings together leaders representing a wide variety of academic and administrative interests here at the university.

Finally, you will find me personable and approachable, so feel free to bring me points or ideas you'd like me to raise at SEC meetings. I want the university to help us all achieve our goals, and I think that we can all achieve more when we work together. Therefore, I would be honored to earn your support to be your voice on the SEC.

## **Undergraduate Student Senator Nominees**

#### Orsam Ahmed - School of Public Health

Though new to senate I feel that I bring a very different set of skills that may be prudent for Executive Committee of Senate. As a former Resident Assistant, Fraternity Founding Father, Campus Recreation Employee, and the University of Maryland's Gymkana Troupe member, I have had the opportunity to become involved in a multitude of diverse aspects of our campus and have taken advantage of every opportunity that has been presented to me. I have sat through hours of judiciary meetings representing both the Resident life and students. Provided paraprofessional advising to undergraduate students in three distinct residential environments. Developed and conducted programs on diversity, chemical abuse, personal development, relationships, security, academic performance, and enforced college policy.

This University unlike most has the potential to reach new statures and change the way Public Universities are viewed in general. In the past few years the University of Maryland has risen to new heights including becoming one of the most well-regarded and distinguished public Universities on the east coast. Each member of this campus has done their part to contribute to the success of the University. However, just as with all great organizations leaders must emerge in order to continue the success and continue the progress started by those in the past. But a Leader is not one who stands out in the crowd or takes a solo project to "show" how useful one can be. I believe that "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader." From my understanding the Senate Executive Committee receives proposals from the campus community and charges one of the standing committees to review an issue and offer a solution. My only wish is to contribute to the success of others and intern the success of the University. I hope that you will support my pursuit of a position on SEC.

#### Vas Blagodarskiy – Letters and Sciences

I campaigned on a platform of representing student voices fairly. I come to join the Senate without any particular agenda, which places me in a position of unbiased service. I would like to join the SEC, and I'm no different now than I was a month ago when I began campaigning. Today, I am a Freshman in the CP Scholars program where I am working on a sustainability web project under the guidance of Becky Archer and Francis Avendaño. Also, I am joining Greek life, and I freelance out of my dorm to make some spending cash. I seek experience with my peers and the staff here at the University. I will address both issues and past achievements in preparation for my admission application into the Smith Business School, where I want to study Marketing. Needless to say, my past work experience at DonorSearch.net and my professional references will prove my work ethic, as well as demonstrate that I'm a man of my word who gets things done.

All of these are qualities that I will bring to the SEC. I promise to attend all SEC and Senate meetings, as well as breakfasts with President Loh, to advise him about ongoing challenges and to share our recent victories. I would like to serve my community because I would encourage diversity and sustainability. I believe in the primacy of Alma Mater, because there are many accomplishments that we as Undergrads can achieve. I want to be the students' beacon of light as they charge ahead into the future, getting a world-class education for jobs that might not even exist yet. I'm here to help their dreams come true - which is what going to college is all about, right?

#### Jeff Calderon – College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

As a committee member I intend to offer my energy, perspective and my experience to accomplish positive change in the school community. As a member on several committees during my time in the Air Force, I have experience arguing forcefully against a position when I conscience moved me; I worked with equal vigor as part of a team when the cause was a worthy one. The years I have spent over seas has given me the social skills to relate to diverse groups, I sincerely hope you will allow me to utilize my talent to their greatest potential on this committee

Originally from California, and a returning vet, I have a many constituencies on whose behalf I feel especially empowered to speak. If I am allowed to serve on your executive committee I will be a vehement voice for the off-campus, part-time and minority students. I have the heart of an activist and feel that I should place it to use where it is most needed, and can accomplish the most; this committee may provide the perfect vehicle for positive change. As a physics student and aspiring scientist I am convinced of the power of human ingenuity to solve human problems, I look forward to working together to improve our campus.

#### Rachel Ellis – Robert H. Smith School of Business

Hello, my name is Rachel Seymone Ellis, and I am an accounting major in the Business School. I am interested in becoming a member of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC). I have extensive experience preparing proposals, I interned with KPMG, a public accounting firm where my main responsibility was editing proposals for the firm to win contracts.

I have done my research and am very aware of the distinct responsibilities that each senate committee has. I am also familiar with organizing ideas for discussion. I was on the Maryland statewide board for 4-H organization. There, I helped plan and organize information from all the counties in Maryland in order to execute an annual conference. I have the time in my schedule to be a responsible and reliable member of the committee. Thanks!

#### **Kevin LaCherra – College of Behavioral and Social Sciences**

Hello, my name is Kevin LaCherra, I am a sophomore Government and Politics and History major and one of four undergraduate BSOS senators. I'm currently involved in several fantastic on-campus organizations. I'm a member of the Programming and Traditions Commission, the Library Dean's Student Advisory Council, and the North Hill Senate. Being involved in these groups has given me a great sense of the many communities here at Maryland. I would like to serve on the SEC because I know that I can relentlessly advocate for student interests as well as effectively build consensus with University administration.

#### Alex Miletich - College of Arts and Humanities

After serving one term on the Senate, I am ready to become more involved and take on more responsibility. I have a passion for shared governance and legislation that drives me to be passionate about the UMD Senate. I was heavily involved in my first term from serving on the ERG committee as well as attending every general Senate meeting. Some of my accomplishments in the Senate include drafting a successful proposal to reform our election procedures when a tie occurs as well as working with the Undergraduate Caucus to see the Medical Amnesty Policy pass. As a Theatre and Government & Politics major, I understand the diverse needs of my constituents. This diversity will make me a valuable asset to the SEC. With my passion and diversity, I will make a great addition to the SEC.

#### Evan Ponchick - Robert H. Smith School of Business

I, Evan Ponchick, am honored to be a student at the University of Maryland.

As an on campus junior, I have taken advantage of many aspects of student life. These include being a student athlete, pursuing a double major, and being a member of a service fraternity. I consider myself a good listener and would feel very comfortable representing the student's voice in the Senate Executive Committee. Having had these experiences and others, I feel I can provide valuable insights that will help guide the University toward an even brighter future.

Furthermore, I am very interested in reading and understanding the many different proposals from the campus community. I hope to use this knowledge to help promote collaboration between the great individuals here at the University of Maryland, both those I have experience with in the past, and those who I plan to meet in the future. Together, we can strive to resolve problems and help continuously improve this outstanding University. Go TERPS!

## Candidacy Statements for the Committee on Committees 2011-2012 Elections

## **Faculty Senator Nominees**

#### Robert Buchanan - Professor, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

The University Senate's "Committee on Committees" plays a critical role in helping the Senate identify the faculty, staff, and other interested parties that bring the knowledge, experience, interest, and commitment that is critical to making informed decisions about the broad array of issues facing the University through shared governance and informed decision-making. Having teams that can generate the synergy and "buy-in" by the array of stakeholders involved in University issues is critical to finding innovative solutions to complex problems. As a relatively recent addition to the University faculty I have had substantial prior experience in working with highly diverse government/industry/academic teams and stakeholders to find solutions to complex scientific/societal problems, which has convinced me of the criticality of recruiting diverse, high efficiency teams. This need for enlisting the right committees has been reinforced by my dual experiences as both a faculty member within a department and as the director of a pan-university center whose focus is recruitment of transdisciplinary faculty teams to address complex food safety and security problem. Accordingly, I would like to be considered for the Committee on Committees because I feel that it is a unique opportunity to both share some of my prior experiences and advance my personal goal of learning how to mobilize the world class faculty at UM to address complex problems and issues facing both the University and academic communities in general.

#### Anil Gupta - Professor, Robert H. Smith School of Business

Anil Gupta joined The University of Maryland at College Park in 1986 and thus knows most aspects of the university well. He is a Distinguished Scholar-Teacher at the university. His professional service to the university includes serving on many high impact committees at the department, school, as well as campus levels - including the President's Strategic Planning Task Force; the Presidents' Honors and Prizes Committee; Dean Search Committee for the School of Journalism; and Department Chair – Management & Organization, Smith School of Business.

Anil is widely regarded as one of the world's leading experts on strategy and globalization. He received a doctorate from the Harvard Business School, an MBA from the Indian Institute of Management at Ahmedabad and a B.Tech. from the Indian Institute of Technology at Kanpur. He has been recognized by the Economist magazine as one of the world's "rising superstars" in a cover story on "Innovation in Emerging Economies." His book, Getting China and India Right: Leveraging the World's Fastest-Growing Economies for Global Advantage (Wiley, 2009), received the 2009 Axiom Book Awards' Silver Prize as one of the world's two best books on globalization/international business. He is also the coauthor of The Quest for Global Dominance (Wiley, 2008), one of the world's most widely acclaimed books on global strategy. The recipient of numerous awards for excellence in research and teaching, Anil is an elected life-time Fellow of the Strategic Management Society as well as the Academy of International Business. He has also been inducted into the Academy of Management Journals' Hall of Fame and ranked by Management International Review as one of the "Top 20 North American Superstars" for research in strategy and organization.

### Wolfgang Losert – Associate Professor, College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

I have been faculty in the Department of Physics and in the Institute for Physical Science and Technology (IPST) since 2000. I am also affiliated with the Institute for Research in Electronics and Applied Physics. I have served in the Senate as representative of the Physics Department from 2006-2009. From 2011-2014 I will represent IPST, an interdisciplinary institute in CMNS. I have served on the committee on committees in 2006 and would be delighted to take on the important task of helping to identify suitable candidates for the senate committees again in 2011.

My research group of 2 Postdocs, 10 graduate students, and 3 undergraduate students applies Nonlinear Dynamics and Complex Systems Approaches to investigate soft materials and biological systems. A special focus of my group is the study of individual and collective cell migration – connecting the physics of motion with the complex biochemical signals that control and steer cells. At the University I have been involved in building connections between the physical and life sciences in research and education. I also direct a new Partnership for Cancer Technology between the University of Maryland and the National Cancer Institute that brings together the expertise and resources at the University of Maryland College Park, with basic, clinical, and translational research expertise of the National Cancer Institute to solve the most pressing problems in cancer research.

## **Exempt Staff Senator Nominees**

#### Marcy Marinelli - Division of Student Affairs

I have worked on campus for a total of 17 years in several different units. I started my career here as a counselor/advisor with Academic Achievement Programs from 1990-1995, and then moved to the Department of Curriculum and Instruction as Staff Assistant for Advising and Scheduling (1995-1996). Upon earning my PhD in Counselor Education from the Department of Counseling & Personnel Services in 1995, I left campus to teach at The Citadel from 1996-1998. I returned to the University of Maryland in 2000 as Assistant Director of the Counseling Center with responsibility for the Learning Assistance Service. I served in that position until July 2007, and then went to the Department of Psychology as Director of Undergraduate Studies until January 2011, when I returned to my former position as Assistant Director of the Counseling Center. Over these years I have established many relationships with colleagues across campus and have a broad-based view of how the campus operates. I believe my knowledge of the campus will be valuable to the Committee on Committees.

I have served the campus in the following ways: Campus Senate (current), Campus Senate Educational Affairs Subcommittee (2001-2003), Student Affairs Learning Outcomes Group (2005-present), Retention Policy Implementation Committee (2002-2004), BSOS Strategic Plan Committee (2007-2009), BSOS Teaching Committee (2007-2010), Maryland Day Planning Committee 2002-2007). I have been a Lilly Teaching Fellow and am a member of the Academy for Excellence in Teaching and Learning. I look forward to continuing to serve the campus as a member of the Committee on Committees.

#### **Graduate Student Senator Nominees**

#### Brian Coyle - College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

I am completing my final year of the Biology PhD program. My research focuses on behavior and ecology. My academic experience also includes collaborative research with several faculty at UMD and at other universities and talks and poster presentations that I have given at several meetings and conferences. As a graduate teaching assistant I have taught Mammalian Physiology to senior undergraduates and Anatomy and Physiology to freshman and sophomores. I am also a commuter and parent of two young children and I have former experience working as a member of undergraduate student committees and, more recently, parent teacher organizations.

I am eager to serve the university and community that have been so supportive of me throughout my studies and I have a keen interest in learning more about government administration and policy development through direct experience. I believe that my range of academic and teaching experience and personal background makes me a valuable committee member because I am able to represent a diversity of constituencies and interests within the university community.

#### Joshua Hiscock - College of Education

Joshua Hiscock holds a B.A. in American Studies from The George Washington University and a M.A. in Counseling & Personnel Services from the University of Maryland - College Park. He is currently a doctoral student in the College Student Personnel Administration program in the College of Education. As the Graduate Coordinator for the Minor in Leadership Studies, Josh is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the minor including academic advising, curriculum development, and program planning. Through this role, Josh also serves as an instructor for undergraduate courses in leadership development. In addition, Josh works as the Coordinator for the National Clearinghouse for Leadership Programs where he is responsible for coordinating publications, managing strategic partnerships, and addressing member concerns.

Prior to returning to UMD for his doctoral work, Josh served as the Assistant Director of Campus Activities & Programs for Greek Life & Student Organization Development at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He previously worked at Boston University and Roger Williams University in student affairs positions. In his past roles, Josh regularly served on committees and provided service to his institutions and national higher education associations. Josh has experience in strategic planning, group dynamics, organizational development, and selection and placement processes - all skills that may be an asset to the Committee on Committees.

## **Undergraduate Student Senator Nominees**

#### Joshua Dowling – College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

The Senate Committee on Committees provides a crucial role in helping the Senate function by selecting which individuals would serve individual Senate committees best. While I personally have not served on this committee before, I do have experience helping to select and match people to positions based on their qualifications in interests, as I have served on the executive board of College Democrats as an elected member fulfilling a similar purpose. My varied on-campus extracurricular commitments have allowed me to see how people work and how people can fulfill roles. As a member of the SEC and the PCC committees of the University Senate, I am also uniquely qualified to understand what certain committees demand from members. I would love to have the opportunity to serve on this committee during my second term as a University Senator, as I believe there is a great deal that I could bring to the table and a great deal that I could learn.

### Brandon Levey - College of Arts and Humanities

The Senate Committee on Committees is one that truly is essential in making positive change on our campus, and I feel uniquely qualified and prepared to serve on it. After I graduated from high school, I volunteered for a year overseas, a year that included living on a *Kibbutz* in Israel where I had to delegate tasks to less experienced volunteers. After this year, I worked for the Obama campaign in New Hampshire, where I assigned campaign and election day responsibilities to over 150 volunteers and interns based on their background, experience, interests, and qualifications. As a junior majoring in History and minoring in Philosophy and Israel Studies here at the University of Maryland, I have taken on extracurricular activities that also prepared me well for delegating tasks to those interested in making a positive change. I am currently the President of Students for Sensible Drug Policy on campus, an organization that was awarded the SGA award for "Best Student Group" this past year, has been featured extensively in campus and regional media, and most recently was instrumental in the passing of the "Good Samaritan Policy" by this University Senate.

These leadership roles have allowed me to gain extensive experience in identifying good candidates for various positions, which is why I think I would be a great fit for the Senate Committee on Committees and look forward to the opportunity.

#### **David Rothenberg – College of Arts and Humanities**

It was an honor to be re-elected to the prestigious Maryland Senate, and I would be similarly honored to be re-elected to the Senate Committee on Committees. After serving on the Committee on Committees this past academic year, I understand its inner workings. The main purpose of this Committee is to evaluate people's candidacy statements and evaluate their suitability for the different committees. From the previous year's work, I have learnt how to evaluate participants, and I want to use that knowledge to recruit and assess individuals for placement on committees this year. As a current sophomore, I have had the opportunity to meet students from different backgrounds across the campus and this will give me the advantage of being able to assess individuals' abilities based on more than a one paragraph statement attempting to sum up their lives. I would appreciate being able to continue to work for the Senate Committee on Committees. Thank you.

## Candidacy Statements for the Athletic Council 2011-2012 Election

## **Faculty Nominees**

#### Robert Dooling - Professor, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

My research and teaching background includes both undergraduate and graduate education related to hearing, auditory perception, animal and human acoustic communication, and speech and language learning. I am currently the Director of the Neuroscience and Cognitive Science Program (NACS) and the NIH-funded Center for the Comparative and Evolutionary Biology of Hearing. NACS has led the initiative to establish the Maryland Neuroimaging Center (MNC) on Campus which opens its doors July 1 and will offer three different types of modern brain imaging techniques under one roof. Disciplines from Psychology to Linguistics to Kinesiology are expected to use this facility for research to understand the interaction between brain and behavior in thinking, emotion, stress, exercising and many other behaviors. As a faculty member here for almost 30 years, I have advised and mentored many graduate and undergraduate students as well as a significant number of magnet high school students who come to my laboratory for high school projects. As a part time Associate VP for Research, I have also served on a number of university committees dealing with intellectual property, conflict of interest, and effort reporting, among others. On a personal note, I have strongly supported UMD athletic events over the years and have attended many of them. My son, Benjamin, and I have attended Maryland football games together regularly beginning when he was four years old. Ben graduated from UMD in Journalism several years ago and worked briefly in our athletic office as a writer and press liaison. He is now finishing his last year in law school at Georgetown and hopes to work in academic athletics eventually as a result of his positive experiences with athletics here at Maryland.

#### Mary Ann Hoffman - Professor, College of Education

I am interested in serving on the Athletic Council because of my strong commitment to the primary goal of the Council which is to ensure that varsity athletes are first and foremost *students*. I have specific experience and expertise in working with young adults in navigating the college experience which was helpful when several years ago I served on the Athletic Council as Vice-Chair for two terms. In this capacity, I chaired the Student Life Committee (which focused on the current substance use policy and on student athlete conduct), served on the Academic and Budget Committees, and attended Council and Executive Committee meetings. I have a special interest in promoting women's equal access to varsity athletics going back many years (Title IX) and in promoting success in college for student athletes who face personal and academic challenges. On a personal level, I have a strong interest in promoting a positive atmosphere at UMD athletic events as I believe they often represent the face of the university to the public, prospective students, and to alumnae. In addition, I have attended UMD athletic events on a regular basis for many years.

In my 25+ years as a faculty member I have provided significant service to the University community. In addition to my service as Vice-Chair of the Athletic Council, I served as Chair of the Human Relations Committee, and have been a member of the Campus Affairs Committee, Committee on Staff Affairs, the Honor Council, and the AIDS Council. I am currently serving one of my several terms on the Campus Senate. My scholarly work focuses on psychosocial aspects of health and wellness – especially for individuals confronting challenging life experiences. My

teaching responsibilities reflect this focus as well. Through my background as a faculty member and licensed psychologist promoting health and psychological well-being, my commitment to equity and opportunity, and my record of campus service I believe I can make a contribution to the Athletic Council.

## Brian Johnson – Associate Professor, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

As a two-sport varsity athlete at Lawrence University, where I received my bachelor of arts degree, I have a strong appreciation for the positive influence that collegiate athletics can have on young adult educational experiences, as well as the vital role that it plays in the overall quality of the university environment. That is why I am running for a position on the Athletic Council. I am an Associate Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, which is a major that has numerous student athletes, so I believe it would be beneficial for the council to have a representative from my department. As such, I would be honored to serve the 3 year term on the council.

#### Maryann McDermott Jones – Lecturer, College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

I've been at the University in the position of Undergraduate Laboratory Coordinator and Lecturer in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry since July 1999. In that time I have served two 2-year terms on the Senate's Programs, Courses, and Curriculum (PCC) Committee, two terms on its Student Conduct Committee (SCC) and one term on the Academic Affairs Committee.

I am a sculler who rows out of Alexandria Community Rowing and, as a result, was asked by a student to serve as faculty adviser to the University's Men's Club Rowing Program in the early 2000's.

While a graduate student at the University of Virginia, I was the first woman to serve on its Athletic Advisory Committee. In the three years I served, we hired a new men's basketball coach, updated the mandatory student athletic fees, and began planning for expansion of the University's basketball facility.

#### Linda Mabbs – Professor, College of Arts and Humanities

Linda Mabbs has been an active member of the university community since joining the faculty in 1977 and looks forward to continuing her service in the Senate. For the last year, she has served as the Senate Chair and that of the Senate Executive Committee. In recent years she has chaired the Academic Standards Committee while serving on the Graduate Council, chaired the President's Awards Committee (twice), served on the Kirwan Awards Committee and currently serves on the Honorary Doctorate Nomination Committee as well as chairing last year's CAPAA Committee. She has also chaired ARHU's APT committee and as a member of ARHU Collegiate Council, served as moderator of the Collegiate Council Forum.

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#### Robin Sawyer – Associate Professor, School of Public Health

Robin G. Sawyer is an Associate Professor and Associate Chair of the Department of Public & Community Health, and has been with the university since 1984. Dr. Sawyer's research interests have focused on late adolescent

sexual behavior, particularly contraceptive compliance, sexually transmitted disease prevention, and sexual assault. His most current projects examine sexual assault and date rape among intercollegiate athletics in the U.S. Dr. Sawyer is a consultant for the NCAA and has been an invited speaker on over 350 college campuses. Dr. Sawyer was a college athlete playing soccer in both England and the US, and he has continued coaching in youth soccer for the past twenty years. Dr. Sawyer previously served on the Athletic Council as vice-chairperson.

This personal experience and passion for sport in addition to a strong commitment to maintaining integrity in college athletics are major reasons for seeking this nomination.

### **Staff Nominees**

#### Denise Best - College of Arts and Humanities

Hello my name is Denise Marie Best. I'm currently the Administrative Assistant II for STARTALK project at the National Foreign Language Center (NFLC) where I have worked since February 2008. My job duties include coordinating travel and reimbursement for the STARTALK 2008-2011 Summer Award Programs and coordinating STARTALK meetings. Recently I have been assigned to setup and maintain a conferencing database for all of the NFLC. I have over 24 years experience at the University of Maryland working in both research divisions and educational units. In 1987 I started my career at the University of Maryland, System Research Center as the Technical Assistant to the Director Dr. John Baras. From 1988 to 1995 I worked in the Electrical Engineering Department as a Word Processing Operating and promoted to an Administrative Assistant I. I was assigned to work for over 62 professors including Dr. William Destler, Nariman Farvardin, Joseph Ja'Ja, and their graduate and undergraduate students. In 1995 I started work at the Microbiology Department as the Administrative Assistant II for the Ex-Provost Dr. Rita Colwell and Dr. Anwar Huq. I assisted with moving the Dr. Colwell's laboratory from the University of Maryland Campus to the Center of Marine Biotechnology Center in the Inner Harbor of Baltimore, Maryland. In 1997-2008 I worked as the Administrative Assistant II for Drs. Amy Weinberg, David Doermann, Philip Resnik, Bonnie Dorr, Doug Oard, Louiqa Rashid in the Language and Media Processing Laboratory as well as the Computational Linguistics and Information Processing.

In the Early 80's I worked at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) headquarters with the Commercial Programs, Code C. I was the Administrative assistant to the Director, Dr. Isaac Gilliam and held a Top Secret Security Clearance. I also worked at the Science Management Corporation. There I developed and trained staff on the use of databases for the Selective Service Agency, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Education, and many more agencies within the Federal Government Region 3 contracts.

I have a history with the University of Maryland's current and past leadership, as well as a deep respect for its faculty, staff, and especially its students. I am loyal, dedicated, and always interested in learning. I am comfortable with expressing the average staff member's point of view, yet sensitive enough to realize that we are facing challenging times. I like to think outside of the box for solutions and have good common sense. I consider no task beneath me and no challenge insurmountable. I consider myself a positive person and would be honored to serve on the Athletic Council.

#### Jay Gilchrist - Division of Student Affairs

I have been on the staff of Campus Recreation Services (CRS) at the University since 1981, serving as Director since 1990. During my time on campus, there has been an unprecedented growth in both recreation and Intercollegiate Athletics (ICA). CRS has grown from what was essentially an intramural sports program, to a nationally regarded, well-rounded department managing several facilities. ICA growth has been accomplished primarily through the growth of a women's sports program (w/ accompanying facility, student athlete and coaching/administrative personnel), which was in its infancy in the early '80s.

In addition to the 27 teams that ICA fields, there are another 44 student sport clubs, with 2400 participants, operating under the CRS umbrella which compete on an intercollegiate level with other colleges and universities in the region. This large number of teams requiring practice and competition spaces has created a great deal of overlap in facility needs between ICA and CRS which both departments struggle to meet. Work on the current Facilities Master Plan update has highlighted this concern.

I feel I can be an asset to the Athletic Council by offering an "institutional memory" of all that has taken place over the last three decades of development, as well as providing a perspective on facilities, budget issues, student fee concerns, and student well-being that is separate, but not distant from that of ICA. Given the fact that our departments have intersected on a regular basis for so many years, I believe I have an understanding of Athletics beyond that of the average staff member.

## Candidacy Statements for the Council of University System Faculty (CUSF) 2011-2012 Election

## **Faculty Full-Time Representative Nominees**

### Kenneth Holum - Professor, College of Arts and Humanities

Kenneth G. Holum is Professor of History, in 2008-2009 was Chair of the University Senate, and since then has served on a number of search, awards, and evaluative committees at the department, college, and campus levels. A historian and archaeologist, he studies the Ancient Mediterranean World, especially religious change and the evolution of cities in the ancient Mediterranean region between 400 and 800 C.E. He has published eight books (authored and edited) on these and related topics, as well as about eighty articles, chapters, and reviews. He has also excavated urban sites in the eastern Mediterranean, especially Caesarea Maritima in Israel, where he has directed the Combined Caesarea Expeditions since 1989. He teaches a number of well-attended courses on Ancient Greece, Rome, and Late Antiquity, as well as a variety of graduate seminars. His sports are hiking, backpacking, and especially sailing his 36-foot auxiliary sloop on the Chesapeake Bay.

Ken has long had a broad interest in promoting excellence and effectiveness in our university's research programs and in both undergraduate and graduate programs. He has a high level of respect for campus and system leaders at all levels with whom he has worked and believes that we have achieved a commendable level of competence, creativity, and collegiality in leadership that even in hard times permits us to address challenges with significant hope of success. He wants to participate in the effort.

#### William Montgomery - Professor, College of Arts and Humanities

William (Bill) Montgomery is a candidate for the Council of University System Faculty (CUSF) to continue his service there for a second term. As a member of CUSF over the past three years he has been able to develop an understanding of the importance of CUSF at the Maryland System level and how to work in coordination with Chancellor Kirwin, and he has made many contributions on the Council. He has also served as CUSF's representative to the Maryland Higher Education Commission Faculty Advisory Council (MHEC-FAC), and, as such, has developed an understanding of the relationship between Maryland higher education and the Maryland state legislature.

At UMCP Bill has held several positions related to faculty governance: He was Chair of the University Senate in 2007-8, Vice-Chair of the Strategic Plan Steering Committee in 2008, and Chair of the CORE Committee (working with the UMCP General Education program and the introduction of "learning outcome assessments" to the campus) in 2005-7. He has taught at UMCP for over 45 years and holds the rank of professor in the School of Music.

Bill is a flutist who made his New York City debut recital in the Carnegie Hall Recital Hall in 1960 and has performed many concerts throughout the United States and Western Europe. He presents a weekly concert series at the historic home of President James Monroe in Washington, D. C. (the 600<sup>th</sup> concert was on March 25, 2011). He has served on the Arts Panel for the District of Columbia Commission on the Arts, he has served as a consultant to the Library of Congress and as a member of the Fulbright National Selection Committee in Music, he has held a residency in chamber music at the Kennedy Center for over three decades, and he has received commendations

from both the U. S. Congress and the District of Columbia City Council for his work in music in the Washington, D. C. area.

#### William Taft Stuart - Assistant Professor, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

I remain very enthusiastic about the opportunity to continue to represent UMCP at the Council for University System Faculty (CUSF).

I have been on the faculty – both undergrad and grad faculties – at UMCP since the mid-70s. I am a sociocultural anthropologist with research and other professional interests in comparative religion, human behavioral ecology, and math and science (STEM) program development for secondary students, here and in other cultures. I have served as UMCP campus representative to CUSF since 2003-2005. From that first year I have been a member of the Executive Board several times – in positions of At-Large, Vice-Chair and as Chair. I have also served for several years as UMCP campus liaison to CUSF.

I believe UMCP should be strongly and well represented at CUSF, which reports to the Chancellor and the Board of Regents. In particular, UMCP's nature and needs are often rather different from those of other UMSystem campuses, so it is especially important for UMCP's voice to be heard. Among the many important issues confronting our campus are ongoing concerns with shared governance, spousal benefits, and academic freedom. I believe UMCP's several representatives must champion the cause of our faculty who often feel that they are too often forgotten, perhaps ignored at the level of the USM deliberation and policy making.

If elected to another 3-year term, I intend to work even closer with the UMCP Senate Executive Committee, reporting periodically to that body and otherwise becoming informed of the concerns of UMCP as manifested in the work of the University Senate and its several committees.

Department of Anthropology CUSF member – 2003 – present Vice-Chair of CUSF – 2010-2011

## Faculty Alternate Representative Nominees

#### Bonnie Dorr — Professor, College for Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

I am a professor of Computer Science with a joint appointment in the Institute for Advanced Computer Studies. I have been at College Park since 1990 and am a former faculty member of the University Senate (2000-2003). I am also currently Assoc. Dean for Research, Faculty Affairs, and Graduate Education in the newly integrated CMNS (starting as the CMPS Associate Dean in 2009). I have served on and often chaired numerous departmental, college, and campus committees, e.g., this year I was appointed chair of the Faculty Affairs committee to review implementational aspects of the campus-level Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure processes. I am presently a PI on two active research grants in the area of human language technology, am former President of the Association for Computational Linguistics, and have been the recipient of several research awards (NSF Presidential Faculty Fellow, Sloan Fellow, NSF Young Investigator, and Maryland Distinguished Young Scientist).

I am interested in serving on the Council of the University System Faculty (CUSF) for a variety of reasons. In my research and administrative pursuits I have addressed challenges in ways that take into account input from faculty, students, and staff at all levels and I desire to continue working as a team player on a wide range of system-wide initiatives that impact our campus. Having played a central role in the integration of the College of Computer,

Mathematical, and Physical Sciences with the College of Chemical and Life Sciences, I have a good idea of how a wide range of college- and campus-level offices operate. I have a great deal of interest in efficient and successful interactions among a wide range of stakeholders on our campus—especially amidst major transformational times and budgetary challenges—and seek to bring that perspective to the University System.

#### Linda Mabbs – Professor, College of Arts and Humanities

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## Candidacy Statements for the Campus Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) 2011-2012 Election

## **Faculty Representative Nominees**

#### Stephen Henry – Librarian II, University Libraries

I have been a faculty librarian at the University of Maryland since 2007 and serve as Music Librarian at the Michelle Smith Performing Arts Library (MSPAL). As Music Librarian, I am responsible for building the library's music related collection, providing reference and research assistance to students and faculty, and overseeing the public services operation of the Performing Arts Library, including circulation and reserves.

I have served as a faculty senator from the Libraries since 2009. In addition, I have been involved in numerous committees within the Libraries, including the Information & Research Services Team, and the Access Services Team. I am a member of the Music Library Association and have served that association as a member of the Descriptive Cataloging Subcommittee and I have given presentations at various meetings of the Association.

Regarding the Campus Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC), I do not have any related professional experience. However, I am an avid bicycle commuter, making the 28-mile round trip journey to campus from my home in Virginia 3-4 days a week and I am also a frequent Metro/campus shuttle rider as well as an occasional driver, making me keenly aware of the tensions that exist between these various modes of transportation. I would welcome the opportunity to help campus continue to evolve its transportation infrastructure in ways that will make the university sustainable and desirable in the coming years.

## **Staff Representative Nominees**

#### Jamie Carrigan - College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

I hold a B.S. degree from the University of Maryland, College Park in Family Studies in what was then the College of Human Ecology. Later the College was renamed the College of Health and Human Performance and now is the School of Public Health. I also earned a second B.S. degree from the University of Maryland, University College in Accounting. I am presently working on a M.S. degree from University College in Nonprofit Management.

Except for a few years in the mid-1980s working in the Department of Resident Life, which was later split into two departments - Resident Life and Residential Facilities - my entire career at the University has been in the science colleges: A. James Clark School of Engineering, College of Life Sciences and the College of Computer, Mathematical and Physical Sciences. Recently the last two colleges merged to form the College of Computer, Mathematical and Natural Sciences.

As I draft this candidate's statement the front page of the Diamondback is informing us of a possible merger of this campus with the University of Maryland, Baltimore. As a member of the Campus Senate we recently voted to consider the reorganization of the Education Department. The University operates in a constant state of change and transportation is not immune to this. From the newly implemented license plate recognition program to the discussion about the Purple Line subway route through campus, transportation is on the move (pardon the pun). I have been riding the Shuttle bus route 120 – Bowie Park & Ride for over three years. I arrive at work stress-free because I haven't had to deal with the gridlock that is Metropolitan D.C. commuters' way of life. When I arrive

home to my family at night I'm stress-free again from being able to read, nap or talk to the friends I've made on the bus. This is why I would like to be a contributing member of the Campus Transportation Committee (CTAC), my way of saying "thanks" to the University for providing such an incredible service that enables me to be a more effective employee and relaxed wife and parent. As I have with the Campus Senate I will attend all meetings, listen, and try to make meaningful contributions.

In addition to serving in the Campus Senate, I have volunteered in a number of ways over the years including FOHTY (From our Hearts to Yours), America Reads, Resident Life Move-In Day, Maryland Day, Autism Speaks and Advise-5. I ask that you give me the opportunity to serve again.

#### Cynthia Shaw - Office of Undergraduate Studies

In my 13 years at Maryland, I have been an undergraduate returning student, a student worker, a contingent employee, a graduate student, and a teaching assistant. I am currently both a special advanced student still taking graduate classes, and an administrative assistant. These varying roles afford me a valuable prospective of the university and the potential to have an impact across many areas of campus.

Teaching and my current position at the Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) has peaked my interest in the effect the university has on its undergraduates and the quality of their academic experience. My service on the Senate has also shown me that the university environment for faculty, staff, and students are deeply intertwined, and that a successful undergraduate experience is dependent upon a quality environment for our faculty and staff.

As a commuter to campus I am especially interested in all transportation and parking issues. I support the campus' sustainability initiatives and would love to see less cars and more public transportation on or near campus. However; I also realize that unless mass transit is made as convenient as possible, people will not use it. If elected I would work to bring about an equitable balance between convenience and sustainability.

#### Service to the University

Pro Bono TA for PSYC 100 (2000-2007)

TA for PSYC 100, PSYC 221, PSYC 420 (2008-2010)

UGST Review committee (2008)

The Presidents Medal award committee (2009)

The Senate (2009-2011)

The Staff Affairs committee (2009-2011)

The board of Regents awards committee (2008 & 2009)

Chair of the Staff Affairs committee (2010-2011)

The Senate Executive committee (2010-2011)

Chair of the Family Care Resources Review Committee (2010-2011)

Diversity Plan Implementation Committee (2010-2011)

President's Commission on Women's Issues (2010-2012)

Inauguration Committee (2010-2011)

Thank you for any consideration.

## **Undergraduate Student Senator Nominees**

#### Kristen King - College of Education

My name is Kristen King, and I am the new Undergraduate Student Senator for the College of Education. I lived on campus for two years, and I am now a commuter student and bus user, as well as an owner of a parking pass, and a bicycle to help get to and around campus. I'm very aware and familiar with all things transportation when it comes to living on and off campus. On top of that, I am member of the College Park Tuning Car Club on campus. Most, but not all, of my friends are commuter students that drive and park on campus. I also have a friend that works for DOTS with the "behind the scenes" work with transportation services and enforcement. I think that I would do a good job representing most student demographics and concerns on this Advisory Committee.

#### Seda Tolu - College of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences

Never will I forget the agony of my commute freshman year: Wake up at 6am....late. Get stuck in rush hour for an hour and a half, struggle through rain and snow; circle Lot 6 five times to find parking, and walk twenty minutes to the other side of campus to barely make it to my 10am lecture. Class had not even begun yet and I was already stressed and exhausted. Walking back to lot 6, after dark? That was a different story in itself. If I was walking alone, I ran and prayed to God I got to my car in one piece. My commute was a nightmare.

Serving on the Campus Transportation Advisory Committee is an opportunity that is very near and dear to my heart because I understand what commuters go through on a daily basis. I also believe that the University of Maryland makes commuting harder for students with strict parking regulations and fees. Any student that has a car on campus has received a ticket at least once, and has either struggled with DOTS or simply paid the fine. This is an issue that I am passionate about and would actively advocate the rights of students when it comes to transportation, parking, and commuting. As a pre-medical student majoring in Neurobiology & Physiology, I am unfortunately familiar with the words stress, frustration, and agony. However, transportation here at the University of Maryland should never be a contributing factor to any of those words. In fact, it should ease a student's campus life and make the commute from point A to point B swift and easy. This is the future campus of University of Maryland that I envision, and it is a goal that I will adamantly pursue and contend if given the opportunity.