

# University Senate TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Presenter:	Becky Zonies Kenemuth, Chair of the Nominations Committee
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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 2010-2011 Chair-Elect, the Senate Executive Committee (SEC), the Committee on Committees, as well as the Senate-Elected memberships of the 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 approval of the slate of nominees for election at the May 5, 2010 Transition Meeting of the University Senate.
Committee Work:	The Senate Nominations Committee began recruitment efforts in January 2010. The Committee sent announcements for the open candidacy period to all continuing and incoming Senators in February. Members of the committee reached out to eligible candidates for all open seats. The Committee voted in favor of approving the attached slate on March 31, 2010.
	All remaining vacancies will be filled in accordance with the Senate Bylaws and presented to the Executive Committee for approval prior to the Transition Meeting.
Alternatives:	To not approve the slate.
Risks:	There are no associated risks.
Financial Implications:	There are no financial implications.
Further Approvals Required: (*Important for PCC Items)	Senate Approval, President Approval

# Slate of Candidates for the 2010-2011 Chair-Elect

Submitted by the Senate Nominations Committee

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

- To be filled by April 13<sup>th</sup>
- To be filled by April 13<sup>th</sup>

# Slate of Candidates for the Senate Executive Committee, 2010-2011 Election

Submitted by the Senate Nominations Committee

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

• Tom Cohen College of Computer, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences

Charles Delwiche
 College of Chemical and Life Sciences

• Steven Hurtt School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation

Dushanka Kleinman School of Public Health

Mark Leone College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Valérie Orlando College of Arts and Humanities

Terry Owen Libraries

André Rupp College of Education

Elisabeth Smela
 Martha Nell Smith
 A. James Clark School of Engineering
 College of Arts and Humanities

• Daphne Soares College of Chemical and Life Sciences

Xiaoping Zhu College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Chair-Elect Nominee 1 – to be filled by April 13<sup>th</sup>
 Chair-Elect Nominee 2 – to be filled by April 13<sup>th</sup>

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

Gene Ferrick
 College of Chemical and Life Sciences

• Larry Lauer College of Computer, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences

Steven Petkas Student Affairs, Department of Resident Life

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

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

Cynthia Shaw
 Undergraduate Studies, Center for Teaching Excellence

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

• To be filled by April 13<sup>th</sup>

• To be filled by April 13<sup>th</sup>

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

- To be filled by April 13<sup>th</sup>

# Slate of Candidates for the Committee on Committees, 2010-2011 Election

Submitted by the Senate Nominations Committee

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

• Dawn Gavin College of Arts and Humanities

• Timothy Hackman Libraries

Robert Schwab
 Miao Yu
 College of Behavioral and Social Sciences
 A. James Clark School of Engineering

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

Denise Best College of Arts and Humanities

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

• To be filled by April 13th

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

• To be filled by April 13th

### Slate of Candidates for the 2010-2011 Senate-Elected Councils and Committees

Submitted by the Senate Nominations Committee

#### Athletic Council Slate 2010-2011

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

Elaine Anderson School of Public HealthEllen Fabian College of Education

Irwin Forseth
 Bruce Jacob
 Elise Miller-Hooks
 College of Chemical and Life Sciences
 A. James Clark School of Engineering
 A. James Clark School of Engineering

• Robin Sawyer School of Public Health

• Anne Turkos Libraries

# Council of University System Faculty (CUSF) Slate 2010-2011

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

Radu Balan
 College of Computer, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences

#### Campus Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Slate 2010-2011

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

Charles Wellford College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

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

Wallace Hart Facilities Management
 Gordon Oliver Transportation Services

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

• To be filled by April 13th

# Candidacy Statements for the Chair-Elect 2010-2011 Election

# **Char-Elect Nominees**

Chair-Elect Nominee 1 – Statement to be added by April 13<sup>th</sup>

Chair-Elect Nominee 2 – Statement to be added by April 13<sup>th</sup>

# Candidacy Statements for the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) 2010-2011 Election

# **Faculty Senator Nominees**

#### Tom Cohen – College of Computer, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences

Tom Cohen is a Professor of Physics whose research focuses on theoretical issues at the borderline of nuclear and particle physics. He has published widely in this field with more than 130 papers in refereed journals. Dr. Cohen is a fellow of the American Physical Society and on the editorial board of Physical Review C—the leading nuclear physics journal. He also serves as moderator for both theoretical and experimental nuclear physics for the ArXiv the principal electronic means for distribution of papers in physics and related disciplines. Dr. Cohen is deeply committed to teaching. Over the years he has received a number of teaching awards including the Dean's Award For Teaching Excellence from CMPS in 1993; he was named a Distinguished Scholar Teacher in 2005.

Dr. Cohen has spent his entire professional career at the University of Maryland. He arrived in College Park as a post-doctoral research associate in 1985 immediately after receiving his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania and was subsequently promoted to Assistant Research Scientist before joining the teaching faculty in 1987. He is presently the Director of the Maryland Center for Fundamental Physics. He is also the Associate Chair for Graduate Education in the Physics Department.

#### Charles Delwiche - College of Chemical and Life Sciences

Charles Delwiche is an Associate Professor in Cell Biology and Molecular Genetics. He received his A.B. in Botany from UC Berkeley in 1984, and his Ph.D. in Botany from the University of Wisconsin - Madison before starting postdoctoral research at Indiana University. He came to the University of Maryland – College Park in 1996, and was tenured and promoted to Associate in 2001. His research uses DNA methods and computer analyses to study the early evolutionary history of photosynthetic organisms. He has taught introductory botany, bioinformatics, and organismal biology at the University of Maryland, as well as graduate courses in molecular systematics and bioinformatics. He has received research funding from the National Science Foundation and the USDA, and received an Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Young Investigator award in Molecular Studies of Evolution (1999). He served as co-chair of the German American Frontiers of Science organizing committee (and was a Kavli Fellow) in 2007, and received the Darbaker Award in studies of Microalgae from the Botanical Society of America in 2006. He serves as the Director of the CBMG/CLFS Imaging and genomics facilities, and is Director of the Norton-Brown Herbarium. He has served two terms on the Graduate Council and has been a Senator since 2008. He was Chair of the Senate APAS Committee for 2009/2010.

#### Steven Hurtt – School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation

Steve Hurtt came to the University of Maryland in 1990 as dean of the then School of Architecture and served in that position until 2004. While he served as dean the school expanded to include graduate programs in Planning, Historic Preservation, and created the National Center for Smart Growth Research and Education. The school now also includes a graduate program in Real Estate Development and a Ph.D program. Reflecting these changes the school is now the School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation.

While serving as dean, Hurtt became deeply involved in matters of facilities and campus planning and initiated or oversaw numerous design studies and institutional changes that have contributed to the quality of the

campus design and planning processes and changes evident around campus including the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, the new dorms along Knox Road, and the Mayer Mall, and was also instrumental in the early conceptualization of the East Campus redevelopment as a new college town environment. Hurtt continues to teach full time and remains involved with campus planning and facilities. Hurtt says that he believes his diverse experiences will enable him to continue to serve the campus through the University Senate Executive Committee.

#### Dushanka Kleinman - School of Public Health

I have served as a University Senator since 2009 and have appreciated the diverse issues brought before the Senate. I have been impressed with the ability of the university to pursue its strategic plan in light of the challenging economic times. I joined the University of Maryland in early 2007 because I was attracted to the University's bold commitment to create a school of public health on the flagship campus, a step that permits public health training and research to benefit from the many disciplines on campus that go beyond the traditional biomedical model. I am the Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs and Professor, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the School of Public Health. In this role I work closely with the School's senior leadership, faculty and students and have devoted much of the past few years to the accreditation self-study process required to establish a new School of Public Health. My interest in being considered for the Senate Executive Committee comes from my desire to contribute from my past and current experiences in implementing change during challenging times.

I currently serve on the University's Research Development Council and the Council of Associate Deans for Graduate Education, and have been on the planning committee for Bioscience Day for the past three years. I also have served on two Task Forces for the Provost. External to the university I am a member of the Board of Scientific Counselors for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Coordinating Center for Health Promotion, an editorial board member of the Journal of the American Dental Association and a Board member of several organizations including the Commissioned Officers Foundation for Public Health. I have had 28 years of federal government service with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) prior to joining the university. At DHHS I participated in various phases of reinventing government, administrative streamlining and reorganization predominately at NIH. From 1991 to 2006 I served as Deputy Director, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, NIH and Assistant Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) Commissioned Corps. I have a D.D.S. from the College of Dentistry at the University of Illinois at Chicago, a M.Sc.D. in dental public health from the Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine at Boston University and am a Diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health. My research has been on the epidemiology of oral mucosal tissue diseases and disorders, especially tobacco-related lesions and oral manifestations of HIV.

#### Mark Leone - 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 which has excavated over 40 archaeological sites in the state capital 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 and also served prior to that on many Senate committees. 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.

#### Valérie Orlando – College of Arts and Humanities

Orlando, Associate Professor of French & Francophone Literatures in the Department of French & Italian, is the author of four books: *Nomadic Voices of Exile: Feminine Identity in Francophone Literature of the Maghreb*, (Ohio University Press, 1999), *Of Suffocated Hearts and Tortured Souls: Seeking Subjecthood Through Madness in Francophone Women's Writing of Africa and the Caribbean* (Lexington Books, 2003), *Francophone Voices of the 'New Morocco' in Film and Print: (Re)presenting a Society in Transition* (Palgrave-Macmillan, 2009) and, *Screening Morocco: Filmic Depictions of a Changing Society* (forthcoming, Ohio UP, 2010). She teaches courses in both French and English which focus on literatures and cinema of the African diaspora. She has written numerous articles on Francophone women's writing from the African diaspora, African Cinema, and French literature and culture. She was awarded a Fulbright Senior Scholar Research Grant to Morocco and Tunisia in Spring 2007 and an American Institute of Maghrebi Studies (AIMS) grant for May-June 2009 to Morocco.

Having served for 3 years on the Human Relations committee and then this year as its Chair, I have had the opportunity to work with many dynamic people from all over campus representing faculty, staff and students. As a humanist, I have personally found working on this committee to be very interesting and insightful. As chair, I have sought to work with committee members in order to properly respond to some of the most pressing questions and debates concerning our campus. Some of these questions have involved issues of diversity, freedom of speech, and separation of religion and state. In addition to working with the HR committee, I have served two years as a member of the APAS (Academic Procedures and Standards) committee which also has been very informative with regard to gaining knowledge about the inner-workings of our campus, the function of various administrative departments, programs and schools as well as the procedures for mediating between students and faculty.

Since 2006, I have enjoyed my work on these Senate Committees and would like to continue as a member of the SEC. It is my strong belief that the University of Maryland's Senate is a vital entity on campus and will continue to play an important role in the overall sustainability of the university's intellectual growth and development in the coming years. Senate members are the voice of the faculty, staff and students on our campus. Therefore, as members, I believe that it is our duty to guarantee that the campus remains a place of inclusion and peace that will foster the intellectual growth of all constituents working within its realm.

#### **Terry Owen – Libraries**

Terry Owen holds a B.S. in Geology from the University of Alaska and M.L.I.S. from the University of Hawaii. As coordinator for DRUM (Digital Repository at the University of Maryland), Terry is responsible for promoting repository services to the University of Maryland campus and providing user support, education, and documentation for the repository. In addition, he also plans, implements, and directs programs for educating faculty and students on scholarly communication and open access issues, including author rights and copyright.

Terry has presented papers on electronic theses and dissertations at meetings of the American Library Association, the Open Repositories annual conference, and the National Information Standards Organization Forum on Digital Repositories.

Professional service activities include chair of the Scholarly Communications Interest Group of the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services, a member of the program committee for SPARC's (Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition) 2008 Digital Repositories meeting, and a member of the Society for Scholarly Publishing Marketing Committee. At the University of Maryland, he served on the Senate Executive Committee from 2009-2010 and on the Senate Educational Affairs Committee from 2006-2008. In 2007, Terry was selected to attend the Institute on Scholarly Communication in Washington, DC.

#### André Rupp – College of Education

André A. Rupp is Assistant Professor in the Department of Measurement, Statistics, and Evaluation (EDMS) at the University of Maryland. His synthesis-oriented work frequently circumscribes, deconstructs, and rearranges the current state-of-the-art of methodological research and practice at the intersection of educational and psychological measurement, applied cognitive psychology, and the learning sciences. His current research interests center around cognitively-grounded assessment approaches and associated statistical models, which broadly fall under the umbrella terms diagnostic measurement and diagnostic classification models, respectively. Dr. Rupp is currently the co-PI and co-investigator on two NSF-funded research grants related to modeling complex data structures arising from games-based assessments using modern latent-variable methods and non-parametric alternatives.

Having been the EDMS senator for the UMD senate for the last year and a half and a chair of several awards committees in my field I can appreciate the importance of the work of the Senate Executive Committee for providing informed guidance for the university Senate on matters that touch a broad range of constituents. A related personal factor for me is that I came to the university in January 2008 and would benefit from the critical, inspired, and collegial interchanges that I would imagine are part of the committee work. I believe that the work in the Senate Executive Committee would connect me in a meaningful yet unique way with a variety of faculty, students, and staff from different departments and colleges from all over campus.

Despite my rather technical training I possess a keen interest in the way different systems, networks, or communities function. Thus, I believe that a position on the Senate Executive Committee would help me understand and shape the workings of UMD in some small, but hopefully significant, way. Intellectually, I am particularly sensitive to the nuances of argumentation and can appreciate clear, cohesive, and consistent arguments, especially when they span different fields or disciplines. I believe that these qualities make me a suitable candidate because I would imagine that collegial and professional critical friends are essential for the Senate Executive Committee to function effectively and efficiently.

#### Elisabeth Smela - 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 microsystems. 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.

#### Martha Nell Smith - 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 on a wide range of department, college, and university committees, and in various administrative capacities.

Smith is Professor of English and Founding Director of the Maryland Institute for Technology in the Humanities (MITH < http://www.mith.umd.edu >) at the University of Maryland; Smith is also Affiliate Professor of Women's Studies, LGBT Studies, American Studies, 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 (August 2010); Companion to Emily Dickinson (Jan 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 (Dec 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>) and 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). A leader in innovations in academic publishing, Smith served on the Executive Council of the Association for Computers in the Humanities (2001-2004), co-chaired the Modern Language Association (MLA)'s Committee on Scholarly Editions (CSE, 2004-2008), and chairs the University of Maryland's Library Council (2008-2011). 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.

Smith would welcome the opportunity to serve on the Senate Executive Council 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. These trying times can be ones of opportunity and advancement, and she is keen to continue serving and working with her colleagues in making them so.

#### **Daphne Soares – College of Chemical and Life Sciences**

Daphne Soares has been an Assistant Professor in the Department of Biology in the College of Chemical and Life Sciences at the University of Maryland since 2003. Dr. Soares received her B.S. in Biology from the University of Maryland in 1996 and her Ph.D. in Neuroscience and Cognitive Sciences from the University of Maryland in 2002. Dr. Soares was a Post-doctoral Fellow at the University of Maryland in 2002 and a Post-doctoral Fellow at Harvard University from 2002-2003. She was the recipient of an ORAU award in 2004. Additionally, Dr. Soares has served as a University of Maryland Faculty Senator from 2009 to present, and currently serves on the Senate CORE Committee.

#### Xiaoping Zhu – College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

I am a tenured Associate Professor of Immunology in the Department of Veterinary Medicine. I have been awarded a PhD degree in the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1997. I then joined Harvard University Medical School as a post-doctor and junior faculty from 1997 to 2003. Afterward, I came to the University of Maryland as an Assistant Professor. My research interests are related to the Immunology of Infectious Diseases in humans and animals which has been funded by four competitive NIH grants since 2003. I developed and taught an advanced 3-credit graduate course. I have regularly supervised seven doctoral students and two postdoctoral scientists in my laboratory since 2003 and served in thesis committee for more than 30 graduate students on campus. In 2008, I was awarded a Faculty Minority Achievement Award as well as Junior Faculty Excellence Award in the AGNR. I am also a member of the Maryland Pathogen Research Institute as an affiliated Associate Professor which involves strong interactions with faculty in other colleges and departments.

I have served on numerous departmental committees as well as those within the college of AGNR. I am currently serving my second term as a member of the Senate; this has provided me with an exposure to the big picture on campus. The past five years of senate experience has provided me with an unprecedented overview of most of the programs in the diverse departments and colleges at the University. I strongly support shared governance and the motivation of the University of Maryland to become one of the best public research universities. I feel that my background will provide the Senate Executive Committee with an excellent viewpoint. If elected, I will be very happy to take the opportunity of providing advice to the President on a

regular basis as a Senator on the Executive Committee. It is a great honor to be nominated to serve on the Senate Executive Committee. I sincerely ask for your support.

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

#### **Gene Ferrick – College of Chemical and Life Sciences**

I have a passion for the University's success and maintaining a high quality of life for our community. My network of colleagues includes faculty, staff and students who can offer guidance concerning the issues before the Senate. The coming year will be full of important activities such as welcoming a new president and the possible merger of two colleges. My experience can be beneficial. This fall marks 30 years of association with UM including my start as a student. On the Dean's staff in the College of Chemical & Life Sciences my work ranges from student support to policy review, including advising and teaching students; coordinating events; evaluating programs and courses; and analyzing data. I am in my third term as a Senator and have chaired the Staff Affairs and Campus Affairs Committees, and been a member of the SEC, Student Affairs, ERG, the Campus Transportation Committee, the Committee on Committees, and the Athletic Council. My service also includes being a peer consultant with the Center for Leadership and Organizational Change.

#### Larry Lauer - College of Computer, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences

I am currently the Director for Administrative Service at the Institute for Physical Science and Technology. Having been on campus since 1984 in various exempt staff (associate staff) positions, I have experience with many of the challenges facing the campus currently- state budget reductions, change in leadership, academic reorganization etc. I have been a member of the Campus Senate and Senate Executive Committee previously. I have also chaired the Campus Staff Affairs Committee in the past. Recently I have been elected by my campus peers twice as the Exempt Staff Representative to the Council of University System Staff (CUSS). I have served as elected Chair of CUSS for two years recently (2007-2009) and two terms as Chair earlier (1999-2000).

These experiences have given me a broad view of our campus community and how it interacts with other segments of State higher education. I believe firmly in the wisdom available to the campus through shared governance and am an advocate for staff participation at all levels of decision making. I look forward to working on the Campus Senate on the complex and challenging issues of the upcoming year.

#### Steven Petkas – Student Affairs, Department of Resident Life

I am pleased and humbled to be nominated for the Executive Committee of the University Senate. I bring to the Senate 25 years of experience and service in the Department of Resident Life at the University of Maryland amidst a 33 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 are manifold and 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. In recent years I have contributed to several Standing Committees in the University Senate as they have deliberated on issues such as student rights, student behavior, and policies addressing alcohol and illegal drugs.

Amidst accomplishments that have been the direct results of my individual efforts are the reconstitution of the student Residence Halls Association (RHA) and the creation and establishment of the Common Ground Multicultural Dialogue Program. I serve as the senior advisor to RHA where 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 both of these programs are sound deliberation, collaboration, and dialogue, all of which are crucial to shared governance within a University.

I am thrilled at the prospect of serving as a member of the Senate Executive Committee and the opportunity to contribute my skills and experience to caring, 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 at the National Foreign Language Center, where I have worked since February 2008. My job duties include coordinating travel and reimbursement for the STARTALK 2008 and 2009 Summer Award Programs and coordinating STARTALK meetings. I have over 22 years experience at the University of Maryland working in both research divisions and educational units. While at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) headquarters I worked with the Commercial Programs, Code C, was the administrative assistant to the Director Dr. Isaac Gilliam, and held a Top Secret Security Clearance. While at the Science Management Corporation, 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's point of view, yet sensitive enough to realize that we are facing challenging times. When I enter campus I do not leave my common sense at the door. I like to think outside of the box for solutions. 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.

#### 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 within the next year or so. I am responsible for managing the graduate program admissions and student review process, as well as providing 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 ten 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 couple 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, vote, and decide on important policies and procedures needed at the University. I have served for about one year now and the experience has been great. I would consider it an 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.

#### Cynthia Shaw - Undergraduate Studies, Center for Teaching Excellence

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.

I hold a B.A. in Psychology with extensive post-baccalaureate study. My educational interests are in brain behavior relationships and adult brain plasticity. However, I became interested in pedagogy as a graduate TA in psychology 100. I continue to TA for the department of Psychology. Teaching and my current position at 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.

Service to the University:

Pro Bono TA for PSYC 100 (2000-2007)

TA for PSYC 100, PSYC 221, PSYC 420 (2008-2009)

UGST Review committee (2008)

The Presidents Medal award committee (2009)

The Senate (2009-2011)

The Staff Affairs committee (2009)

The board of Regents awards committee (2008 & 2009)

Chair of the Staff Affairs committee (2009-2010)

The Senate Executive committee (2009-2010)

Thank you for any consideration.

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

TBA - Statements to be added by April 13<sup>th</sup>

# <u>Undergraduate Student Senator Nominees</u>

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# Candidacy Statements for the Committee on Committees 2010-2011 Elections

# **Faculty Senator Nominees**

#### Dawn Gavin - College of Arts and Humanities

Statement to be added by April 13<sup>th</sup>

#### **Timothy Hackman - Libraries**

Timothy Hackman has been a librarian at the University of Maryland since 2002, and holds Master's degrees in both Library Science and English Language and Literature from the University. Since 2006 he has been the subject librarian for English and Linguistics at McKeldin Library, where he provides reference, instruction and collection development services for these departments.

Tim has served on the Committee on Committees since 2008 and would welcome the chance to continue working with this group. He also currently serves on the Student Affairs Committee and on numerous groups within the Libraries, including the Staff Affairs Committee and as Liaison Coordinator. He has won several awards for his work with the Libraries' Diversity Team, including the John W. King Staff Award from the President's Commission on Disability Issues and the Advocate for Equity award from the Office of LGBT Equity. He is a co-organizer of "Speaking of Books...Conversations with Campus Authors," a speaker series featuring UM faculty authors.

#### Robert Schwab - College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Robert M. Schwab joined the University of Maryland's Department of Economics after receiving his Ph.D. in economics from Johns Hopkins University in 1980. He served as the Department's director of graduate studies from 1991-2004 and its associate chair from 1997-2004. He was the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences associate dean from 2004-2009 and was the College's interim dean from March 2009 until August 2009. He recently agreed to a new three-year term as associate chair.

Bob's primary field of research is public economics with an emphasis on state and local government. He has co-authored papers with other Maryland faculty on education, teenage pregnancy, environmental federalism, land taxation, tax amnesties, public capital, and life cycle tax incidence. His current research focuses on education finance reform and the market for teachers.

#### Miao Yu - A. James Clark School of Engineering

Statement to be added by April 13<sup>th</sup>

#### **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 at the National Foreign Language Center, where I have worked since February 2008. My job duties include coordinating travel and reimbursement for the STARTALK 2008 and 2009 Summer Award Programs and coordinating STARTALK meetings. I have over 22 years experience at the University of Maryland working in both research divisions and educational units. While at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) headquarters I

worked with the Commercial Programs, Code C, was the administrative assistant to the Director Dr. Isaac Gilliam, and held a Top Secret Security Clearance. While at the Science Management Corporation, 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's point of view, yet sensitive enough to realize that we are facing challenging times. When I enter campus I do not leave my common sense at the door. I like to think outside of the box for solutions. I consider no task beneath me and no challenge insurmountable. I consider myself a positive person and would be honored to serve on the Committee on Committees.

### **Graduate Student Senator Nominees**

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# **Undergraduate Student Senator Nominees**

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# Candidacy Statements for the Athletic Council 2010-2011 Election

# **Faculty Nominees**

#### Elaine Anderson – School of Public Health

I have been at the University since 1981 and currently am a Professor and Chair of the Department of Family Science. My area of research focuses on the impact of social and health policies on the well-being of children and families. I am Co-Director of the Maryland Family Policy Impact Seminar, a policy network within the state of Maryland that coordinates information regarding family research initiatives in the state. The project conducts seminars for legislators, staff and executive agency employees, with the goal to translate research for decision makers and inform the development of relevant family and health policy. I have authored more than 100 publications and use my research to inform state and federal legislators about how best to modify programmatic and policy initiatives on behalf of children and families. I annually serve on at least two journal editorial boards and am an elected Fellow and currently the President-Elect of the National Council on Family Relations, the major professional association for many family scientists.

I have been honored by my College at the University with each of the outstanding research, teaching, advising and mentoring awards. I have been involved in my own department in the capacity of Chair of our Undergraduate and Graduate Programs and our Honors Program. I have also served on the Student Awards Committee. In my College I have been a member of the Undergraduate Policy; Advising; Education Policies; and Student Scholarship Committees. For the University I have served in numerous capacities including the Graduate Council, Planning Committee for the Center for Teaching Excellence, Advisory Committee for a College Park Scholars Program, Provost's MIC Undergraduate Core Revision Committee, and Instructor in the Federal Semester Program to name a few. Last, I am familiar with the challenges faced by student/athletes not only through the many undergraduate students I have mentored in the past 30 years, but also through my own family experiences. I have children who collegiately have been on club as well as NCAA level sports teams. I also have a son who is a NCAA coach and so I personally can appreciate the perspectives of students, coaches and administrators.

#### Ellen Fabian - College of Education

Ellen Fabian, Associate Professor, Department of Counseling & Personnel Services.

My research and teaching background includes undergraduate and graduate education related to counseling research and human development, disability and diversity, and social justice. Within these areas, I have developed and managed collaborative research, training, and intervention programs dealing with youth and adults, including several major federal grants, as well as collaborative research and training grants with other university and with community partners. As a faculty member for over ten years, I have advised and mentored graduate and undergraduate students, and provided significant service to the University community. For example, I served as a Gemstone mentor from 2000 to 2003, was a faculty member in the "Advise 5" program, and served on the University undergraduate Honor Board. I have also been a member of the UMD Institutional Review Board for several years, and a member of the College of Education faculty senate. I have served on two University Senate Committees during the 2009-2010 year. Prior to becoming a UMD faculty member, I was an undergraduate advisor in BSOS for several years and taught for several summers in one of the UMD Undergraduate Summer Preparation programs. I believe I can make a contribution to the Athletic Council through my background in promoting health and community integration

for youth and adults confronting challenging life experiences, as well as through my experience and expertise in issues related to social responsibility and ethics. On a personal level, I have a strong interest in promoting UMD athletic events, have attended many over the years, and have a special commitment to women's athletics and sports.

#### Irwin Forseth - College of Chemical and Life Sciences

I came to the University of Maryland in 1982 as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Botany. Currently, I am an Associate Professor in the Department of Biology where I teach Introductory Biology and upper level Ecology courses. I maintain an active research program in plant ecology, training both graduate and undergraduate students in this field. Most recently, I completed a three year rotation as a Program Director at the National Science Foundation in the Division of Integrative Organismal Systems.

I have been interested in intercollegiate athletics all my life and played varsity football and track and field on a small college level during my undergraduate days at Hamline University in Minnesota. I earned Division III All-American honors in track and field and was elected to the Hamline University Athletic Hall of Fame in 2001. However, I started college at the University of Minnesota on a football scholarship before transferring to Hamline after my freshman year. Because of my experiences, I have an appreciation for the challenges faced by student-athletes at the Division I level. The act of balancing academics with the demands of training and practice is extremely challenging and I have a lot of respect for those students who can do this successfully. I am interested in serving on the Athletic Council to help the University develop and maintain excellence in its efforts to promote the academic and social development of student athletes, while maintaining a prominent intercollegiate athletic profile.

#### Bruce Jacob - A. James Clark School of Engineering

Thank you for nominating me for a faculty position on the Athletic Council. I am quite happy to accept the nomination. As a former NCAA athlete myself (placekicker on my college football team 1984, 85, 86, starter 87), I am well aware of the issues facing student athletes. As a professor and researcher, a Terrapin Club member, and a season ticket holder for nearly ten years, I am keenly interested in the success of Maryland's academic programs and athletic programs alike.

#### My background:

Bruce Jacob is a Keystone Professor and Director of the Computer Engineering program in the Electrical & Computer Engineering Department. He is recognized as the world's leading expert in computer memory systems, and he currently designs memory systems for industry and the Department of Energy's next-generation supercomputers. He has been decorated three times as a Clark School "Rainmaker" for his research program at Maryland. He has written two books on computer memories and over fifty articles on memory systems, computer design, embedded systems, operating system design, astrophysics, and algorithmic composition. He holds a patent in memory-systems design and has several patents pending in electric guitar design. He recently founded Coil Guitars, a startup company that designs guitars and manufactures innovative circuits for electric guitars and audio systems. Jacob's educational background includes an A.B. in Mathematics from Harvard College (1988) and a Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering from the University of Michigan (1997).

Between college and graduate school he worked in the start-up industry in Boston for two different telecommunications companies, serving as a software engineer at Boston Technology and the chief engineer and system architect at Priority Call Management.

#### Elise Miller-Hooks - A. James Clark School of Engineering

I am an associate professor in the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering and an affiliated faculty member with the Engineering and Public Policy program. Prior to 2003, I was on the faculty at Penn State University. My expertise is in optimization and mathematical modeling of transportation systems, dynamic and stochastic network algorithms, disaster preparedness and response, infrastructure vulnerability and protection, and collaborative and multi-objective decision-making. I have served as PI on grants with funding of nearly \$4 million from the National Science Foundation (NSF), European Commission, U.S. Department of Transportation, United Technologies Corp., U.S. Army through the Protective Technology Center, National Institute of Statistical Sciences, Sloan Foundation, and various state agencies, and additionally significantly contributed as co-PI to a successful multi-million dollar proposal for our University Transportation Center (UTC). I received a NSF CAREER award, 1<sup>st</sup> Young Distinguished Alumni Award from UT Austin, Charley Wootan Award for Best Ph.D. Dissertation from the Council of UTCs, and several other national awards related to my research. My commitment to my department, college, university and the larger research community is demonstrated by my service to my universities and professional organizations. I have served the University of Maryland extensively since my arrival in 2003 in a myriad of capacities, ranging from staffing my department's booth on Maryland Day to serving as University Senate Chair. Additionally, I have given significant time and effort to serve in my professional organizations, holding elected and appointed positions of President, Secretary, Chair, and Council Member of various councils, sections and societies. I am Associate Editor of Transportation Science and on the editorial board of the Journal of Intelligent Transportation Systems.

#### Robin Sawyer - 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.

#### Anne Turkos - Libraries

Anne S. K. Turkos is the University Archivist for the University of Maryland. Ms. Turkos works with College Park campus departments and units, student groups, and alumni to identify, transfer, preserve, and make available all permanent university records in a variety of formats, including paper documents, publications, photographs, film and videotape, and realia. These materials form the core of the university's heritage and memory and are heavily consulted by a wide variety of researchers who come from the campus community, the state of Maryland, across the United States, and around the world.

Ms. Turkos received a B.A. in English from Dickinson College in 1977. She completed her graduate studies at Case Western Reserve University, receiving master's degrees in history and library science in 1980. Before

coming to the University of Maryland in 1985, Ms. Turkos spent four years as a field archivist at the Baltimore City Archives and Records Center.

Records of UM athletics, from the first baseball team in 1888 to the present day, form a major portion of the Archives' holdings, and Ms. Turkos and her staff annually spend a very significant amount of time working with these materials. Over her 25 years on campus, Ms. Turkos has been a close observer of the operation of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. She feels her historical perspective as well as her knowledge of present-day concerns and issues the department faces would be valuable contributions to the work of the Athletic Council.

# Candidacy Statements for the Council of University System Faculty (CUSF) 2010-2011 Election

# **Faculty Alternate Nominees**

#### Radu Balan - College of Computer, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences

Radu Balan holds a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Politechnique Institute of Bucharest and a M.S. in Physics from University of Bucharest. He obtained his PhD in Applied Mathematics from Princeton University (1998). After working for 8 years in industry at Siemens Corporate Research, he joined University of Maryland in 2007 as a tenured Associate Professor in the Department of Mathematics on a joint position with the Center for Scientific Computation and Mathematical Modeling (both units of CMPS). His research interests include: applicable mathematics, signal processing, communication theory, machine learning. He has been a Senate member since 2008 and is currently serving in the Election, Representation and Governance Committee. As a CUSF member he plans to use his industrial experience in helping new initiatives within our university.

# Candidacy Statements for the Campus Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) 2010-2011 Election

# **Faculty Nominees**

#### Charles Wellford - College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Statement to be added by April 13<sup>th</sup>

### **Staff Nominees**

#### Wallace Hart - Facilities Management

I have been a Senator on the Board of the University Senate and an active member of the Board since 2009. I currently serve on the Elections Representation and Governance Committee (ERG).

I have been employed with the University of Maryland for past eight years as an Equipment Operator III and I have working knowledge of safety operations as well as proficient knowledge of applicable federal, state and department regulations. In one of my previous positions as a Transportation Operations Specialist with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) some of my responsibilities were to ensure appropriate safety measures in accordance with VDOT policies and procedures.

I am involved in the daily operations of some of the aspects of the University of Maryland through my current position and I believe that this knowledge as well as the knowledge I have obtained through my previous positions will make me an asset as a member of the Transportation Committee.

#### **Gordon Oliver – Transportation Services**

My current position is the D.O.T.S. Maintenance Supervisor. Some of my experience that could be useful for CTAC includes planning and installation of the new Luke pay station system. Also parking lot stripping and number assignments along with all lot signage. I manage all access gate operations and five garages. We have 150 meter locations and over 20,000 parking stalls.

I have many interests from Chess, boating and billiards to design and construction of my home. I served in the Army and have traveled across the United States and abroad.

I would like to serve with CTAC because I enjoy being part of our growing University that I am so fond and appreciative of.

Thank you for your consideration and time.

# <u>Undergraduate Student Senator Nominees</u>

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