

Meeting Summary
University Senate Meeting
October 17, 2019, 3:30 PM
Performance Space, Wexner Center for the Arts

1. Secretary's Report #374

Ben Givens, University Senate Secretary

The motion for approval carries.

2. Welcome to the Wex!

Johanna Burton, Director, Wexner Center for the Arts

Wexner Center Director Johanna Burton delivered a presentation that touched on the center's original vision and its 30-year partnership with the University; her own trajectory here; and the center's areas of focus looking forward. She discussed the Wex's continuing role as creative incubator and global hub that serves as a resource for the Ohio State students and faculty across academic units. The center will sharpen its focus on access, equity, and inclusion, with expanded efforts to engage residents in diverse neighborhoods and schools, while also breaking down on-site barriers to participation. Going forward, the Wex looks to be ever more transdisciplinary, supporting work that spans artistic fields. Finally, Burton spoke about the Arts District and the possibilities for deeper partnerships as that area develops.

3. The Shared Values Initiative: Values and Ethics Survey

Gates Garrity-Rokous, Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer, Office of University Compliance and Integrity

The Shared Values Initiative is a proactive university-wide effort to reinforce our ethical culture and live our shared values to better advance the university's core work of teaching, learning, research, and service. Four focus areas central to that ambition are shared values, robust sharing of ideas and concerns, disciplined decision-making, and trusted leadership. A key step in this initiative is a confidential, online survey to all faculty, staff, and students (over 100,000 individuals) that focuses on values and ethical leadership. The results will be shared with the university community and help shape the expression of our values. The survey closes on October 29.

The university is using an independent, non-profit organization—the Ethics Compliance Initiative (ECI)—to conduct the survey and ensure the confidentiality of the results. ECI has emailed each student, faculty member, and staff member a unique survey link, and is also sending two reminder emails to those who have not yet completed the survey. All faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to check their inbox and spam/junk folders for emails from ecisurveyosu@ethics.org or ecisurveyosu2@ethics.org and take the survey. Those who cannot find an email from ECI should contact the ECI Help Desk at ecisurveyosu@ethics.org or 800-777-1285. The ECI Help Desk phone line is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time.

Ken Lee (FAES) asks if academic units will see their own feedback. Yes, and they will go down as far as they can depending on the level of responses (to protect anonymity).

4. Perspective on the Health Science Colleges

Harold Paz, Executive Vice President and Chancellor for Health Affairs

We are at a very interesting time for healthcare in America. Healthcare has been immune to changes for a long time. We have had the same model in academic education for virtually 100 years. We are at a tremendous inflection point in America today. We have health outcomes that, in some cases, are not comparable to other OECD nations. Ohio State is in a very opportunistic place. We are one of only two Universities in the nation that have all seven health sciences colleges on one campus. We can combine our resources together in innovative ways in this new model. We will create an interdisciplinary approach to a new health platform. Many changes have to do with new digital information. There are companies that are beginning to explore the approaches that have worked in other sectors of the economy. We will use robust analytics to identify the needs of individuals before they become patients. The five determinants of health are genetics, healthcare, as well as the social, behavioral, and environmental determinants of health. We have a number of initiatives focused on these determinants, as well as initiatives focused on community service. There are now ways to mine out inefficiencies. Health affairs is beginning to address care in the home and curricular changes.

Gretchen Ritter (Arts and Sciences, Vice Provost and Executive Dean) asks how this vision is being realized in the context of inequities, when thinking about who has digital access. The old paradigm was access, utility, and cost. The new paradigm is about engagement, wellbeing, and value. When the opportunity was around access, physicians had to figure out ways to give access to the services. Doctors often have very little face to face time with patients. In a model where they can go into the home and look at the medicine cabinet, for example, they can provide more than access by engaging people where they are and offering the right care in the right place based on the data. We also need to move from cost to value. Our economic structure is still fee for service. In a value based system, there will only be a reward for doing what is right.

Ose Arheghan (USG) mentions that the Transforming Care: LGBTQ and HIV/AIDS Health Equity 2019 Conference is taking place October 17th and 18th on campus. What role can the Wexner Medical center take in this discussion? It starts with our students and our faculty. The medical center continues to accept a broadly diverse group of students. Our curriculum has to be active to make sure that our graduates are able to treat a diverse group of people. This is one reason why understanding unique needs is so important.

Jan Weisenberger (Senior Associate Vice President of Office of Research) asks if the shift from intervention to prevention is something that they are actively working on. The College of Public Health is an integral part of the seven health affairs colleges. We often see conditions where prevention could have made a huge difference. We need to have a much better understanding of the impact of intervention, prevention, and support. There have been three opioid epidemics in the United States. They are looking at what the American health system can do around prevention.

Abigail Berk (USG alternate) asks how Dr. Paz plans to make healthcare more accessible for minority, low-income, or uninsured students. OSU has taken a lead in student diversity in the health sciences. The affordability of health services for our students depends on a complex web of issues not centered on OSU. These are larger issues in the United States that are an ongoing conversation.

5. **Old Business**
6. **New Business**
7. **Announcements**

8. Adjourn

Following the meeting, Senate members toured the exhibition *HERE*, featuring the work of Maya Lin, Jenny Holzer, and Ohio State Distinguished University Professor Ann Hamilton.