



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

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College of Public Health

Faculty Assembly Final Meeting Minutes

September 24, 2021

12:00-1:00 pm

Zoom: <https://arizona.zoom.us/j/87595095278>

Primary Faculty and Lecturers Present: Janet Foote, *Chair*

Gail Barker, Leila Barraza, Jennifer Bea, Melanie Bell, Benjamin Brady, Heidi Brown, Leonard Brown, Jeff Burgess, Scott Carvajal, Felina Cordova-Marks, Duke Duncan, John Ehiri, Eileen Eisen-Cohen, Ibrahim Garba, Joe Gerald, Lynn Gerald, Iman Hakim, Aminata Kilungo, Lindsay Kohler, Purnima Madhivanan, Mark Martz, Adaeze Oguegbu, Kristen Pogreba-Brown, Kelly Reynolds, Denise Roe, Cecilia Rosales, Refugio Sepulveda, Amanda Soka, Terry Urbine, Gabriela Valdez, Marc Verhougstraete, Frank Von Hippel, Amanda Wilson

Primary Faculty Absent: Halima Alaofe, Mona Arora, Paloma Beamer, Ed Bedrick, Dean Billheimer, Stephanie Carroll, Zhao Chen, Chris Cutshaw, Leslie Dennise, Dan Derksen, Kate Ellingson, Kacey Ernst, Leslie Farland, Melissa Furlong, David Garcia, Kirin Goff, Laura Gronewold, Robin Harris, Jenna Hatcher, Tricia Haynes, Paul Hsu, Chengcheng Hu, Beth Jacobs, Yann Klimentidis, Mary Koss, Deanna Lewis, Velia Leybas Nuño, Chris Lim, Kimberly Lind, Yiwen Liu, Priscilla Magrath, Martha Moore-Monroy, Thomas Nuño, Sydney Pettygrove, Rustin Reed, Xiaoxiao Sun, Cyndi Thomson, Nicole Yuan

Other MEZCOPH Personnel Present: Andre Dickerson, Danielle Embry, Ali Gabriel, Christine Girard, Maia Ingram, Jean McClelland, Karen Tiggs, Dirk Timmerman, Rebecca Wolf

Meeting Recording:

https://arizona.zoom.us/rec/share/xCqyeXEr5paPTSR5mKE2Snufdck9JP0NN5kzpklvS3rGI_FkXVe7Z_JuMN_mtMs.isFFmO2z_AbSw0ao?startTime=1632509579000

1. Review / Approval of July 23, 2021 Meeting minutes (*Janet Foote*)

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. The July 23, 2021 minutes were approved by all voting members present.

2. Program Reports

a. Community, Environment & Policy (*Joe Gerald, Aminata Kilungo*)

- Amanda Wilson introduced herself. Amanda is a new Assistant Professor in EHS.
- Jeff Burgess is stepping down from his position as Associate Dean of Research after seven years of service. Dr. Burgess encouraged full professors with a research portfolio to apply.

b. Epidemiology & Biostats (*Kacey Ernst / Edward Bedrick*)

- Melanie Bell announced that she is retiring in June.

c. Health Promotion Sciences (*Scott Carvajal*)

No HPS updates

d. PHP & Translational Research (*Amanda Soka, Terry Urbine*)

- PHP/TR has a new faculty member who will introduce themselves at the next meeting.

3. New to MEZCOPH: Assistant Dean of Student and Alumni Affairs (*Andre Dickerson*)

Andre Dickerson introduced himself and presented his vision for Student Services and Alumni Affairs. Andre joined MEZCOPH two months ago from Washington State University where he was Director of Leadership and Community Engagement. He has been working closely with the OSSAA team and John Ehiri to determine paths forward for working collaboratively across the college. They recently established a Strategic Enrollment Committee to wholistically evaluate MEZCOPH's recruitment, enrollment, academic programs and student success metrics. He will be meeting with Program Directors to discuss how OSSAA can work with departments to meet their goals and objectives.

4. Announcements

- Janet announced that we will have a group from the Global Research, Projects, and International Development office at our next meeting to present what their center does and how we can partner with them on research projects.
- Gabriela Valdez is part of the International Research and Development Coordination group, which highlights research projects from different colleges every month. If faculty have research or development projects they would like to share at the October 20th meeting, please reach out to Gabriela Valdez at gvaldez@arizona.edu.
- Janet encouraged faculty to nominate themselves or a colleague to serve as the next Chair of Faculty Assembly. There could be a co-chair option to share responsibilities.

5. Date for next Faculty Assembly Meeting (*Janet Foote*)

Faculty agreed the next meeting will be Friday, October 22nd.

Meeting adjourned at 12:17pm.

Changes or corrections to the minutes should be submitted to:
Danielle Embry, *Coordinator, MEZCOPH Academic Curriculum and Faculty Affairs*