



Faculty Assembly Final Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2023

11:00-12:00 pm

In Person: DRACH-118

Zoom: <https://arizona.zoom.us/j/81152538197>

Primary Faculty and Lecturers Present: Melissa Furlong, *Chair*

Halima Alaofo, Mona Arora, Leila Barraza, Jennifer Bea, Jeff Burgess, Scott Carvajal, Leslie Dennis, Brian Dodge, John Ehiri, Kacey Ernst, Leslie Farland, Janet Foote, Joe Gerald, Christine Girard, Kirin Goff, Paul Hsu, Yann Klimentidis, Bridget Murphy, Tomas Nuño, Adaeze Oguegbu, Kristen Pogreba Brown, Kelly Reynolds, Refugio Sepulveda, Amanda Sokan, Amanda Wilson, Nicole Yuan

Primary Faculty Absent: Paloma Beamer, Ed Bedrick, Dean Billheimer, Heidi Brown, Leonard Brown, Stephanie Carroll, Zhao Chen, Felina Cordova-Marks, Chris Cutshaw, Dan Derksen, Kate Ellingson, Ibrahim Garba, David Garcia, Kirin Goff, Laura Gronewold, Iman Hakim, Jennifer Hatcher, Tricia Haynes, Chengcheng Hu, Beth Jacobs, Aminata Kilungo, Bryna Koch, Mary Koss, Karl Krupp, Velia Leybas Nuño, Chris Lim, Lifeng Lin, Yiwen Liu, Ashley Lowe, Purnima Madhivanan, Priscilla Magrath, Adriana Maldonado, Martha Moore-Monroy, Shannon Newton, Kelly Palmer, Sydney Pettygrove, Denise Roe, Antonio Rubio, Shiela Soto, Xiaoxiao Sun, Cynthia Thomson, Terry Urbine, Gabriela Valdez, Marc Verhougstraete, Frank von Hippel

Other MEZCOPH Personnel Present: Robin Byler Thomas, Joy Caron, Danielle Embry, Ali Gabriel, Maia Ingram, Jing Liu, Jean McClelland, Naqib Safi, Tawab Saljuqi, Raju Thiagarajan

Meeting Recording: https://arizona.zoom.us/rec/share/fcbT6FaQCBPZeLHsI-PfIJk7OMHgezjrFkf-4cKn9EDraseD4TAqUQnQHuydTEM3.rSRFif_iabBP9kH6?startTime=1696614279000

1. Updates from Deans and Department Chairs

- Academic Affairs (*John Ehiri*)
 - UCATT is presenting a training for faculty on 10/6 at 2pm about the new academic program assessment platform, Planning & Self-Study. It will be recorded.
 - The college plans to update the technology in DRACH-A118 and A120 by the end of the spring semester.
- CEP (*Kelly Reynolds*)
 - The MRB lab is assessing space needs. Faculty and staff who use the MRB lab will be contacted for more information soon.
- HPS (*Scott Carvajal*)
 - Departments are conducting a space inventory so that a college-wide plan for space can be developed.
- Research (*Melissa Furlong*)
 - Jeff Burgess's research with firefighters has been extended.

- A research team at CPH has received a planning center grant for climate and health. The PIs are Kacey Ernst, Mona Arora and Joe Hoover in Environmental Sciences.

2. Flash Talks

- Mona Arora



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Dr. Mona Arora, Assistant Research Professor in the Community, Environment & Policy department, gave an overview of her research. The team received a grant to create the Southwestern Center on Resilience for Climate Change and Health (SCORCH), which will work with university and community partners to improve health equity in arid lands.

- Refugio Sepulveda



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Dr. Refugio Sepulveda, Assistant Research Professor in the Public Health Practice, Policy, and Translational Research department gave an overview of his research on two special interest projects that are part of the CDC's Managing Epilepsy Well (MEW) Network.

3. Finance Presentation (*Jing Liu, Assistant Dean, Finance & Administration*)



F&A Distribution
and Other Items_Fac

Jing Liu provided an overview of several business items, including F&A split, startup and discretionary funds, supplemental compensation and AIB metrics.

Comments from the committee:

- F&A split becomes more complex when more than one dept is involved. The percentage depends on the PI's affiliation and agreement between the units.
- It is recommended that the lead PI take 25% first, then allocate the remaining 75% to each PI based on credit.
- If faculty are participating PIs on grants within and outside the college, it is ideal if they can advocate for the same, or comparably fair, percentage as the credit they are allocated.
- UAHS has assigned three staff to support CPH and they are often overwhelmed with the workload. Can faculty advocate for more support? MEZCOPH already pays substantial service fees to support UAHS Research Administration. Concerns can be brought to Zhao Chen and Jing Liu so they may advocate on the college's behalf.

- F&A allocations flow from the college to the lead PI. Individual departments do not receive a percentage. Instead, the college uses F&A revenue attributed to each academic unit as a metric for allocating the annual departmental operational funds.
- Supplemental compensation is generally not allowed on grants. In some cases, it can be distributed to staff who are helping with a project on a temporary basis.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm.

Changes or corrections to the minutes should be submitted to:
Danielle Embry, *Senior Coordinator, Academic Affairs*