The minutes of the March 28, 2013 Faculty meeting were approved.

2. Dean's report - Dean Peter Amenta. Dr. Amenta reported the following announcements, awards and events:

- **Gregory Borah, MD**, professor of surgery and chief, division of plastic surgery, has been selected to serve on the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education Standing Panel for Accreditation Appeals. This is a six-year appointment to review complex accreditation issues regarding surgical residency programs in the U.S.

- **Vicente H. Gracias, MD**, professor of surgery and chief, trauma/surgical critical care, and medical director, trauma and medical critical care at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, was invited to attend a trauma shareholders’ discussion at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building in Washington D.C. on February 11.

- Robert Wood Johnson Medical School has established the Division of Female Pelvic Medicine and
Reconstructive Surgery in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences.

- HIPHOP raised $7300 from its 5K Run Walk to support the Promise Clinic and other student-run programs for the underserved. Next year will be the 15th anniversary of the event.

- The Dean thanked everyone at RWJUH who supported our 2013 Scholarship Gala.

**STUDENT HONORS AND AWARDS**

- Two doctoral students in the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Leonardo Valdivieso-Torres, and Victoria DiBona, participated in Hill Day, in Washington, D.C. The annual event, held in March, is sponsored by the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. It provides an opportunity for graduate and post-graduate students and post-doctoral fellows from across the nation to meet with members of Congress to advocate on behalf of the biomedical research enterprise.

- Kamali Thompson ’16, a nationally ranked fencer, recently competed in her first international tournaments. In Italy, she reached the second round, finishing 82nd. Subsequently, in Belek, Turkey, she reached the third round and finished 25th out of 145 competitors, her best result ever.

- A poem by Abigail van Wyck ’14, “Code Blue to the MS-III,” was published in Ad Libitum in the Annals of Internal Medicine.

**Search Committees Status**

- Chair, Department of Medicine - Search committee was charged on November 20, 2012
- Chair, Department of Surgery - Search committee was charged on December 4, 2012
- Chair, Department of Dermatology - Search committee was charged on September 25, 2012
- Chair, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation - Search committee was selected but not yet charged

**Upcoming Events**

**May 16, 2013 - 6:30 PM**
Annual Graduation Dinner
The Westin at Forrestal Village, 201 Village Blvd - Princeton, NJ
For more information contact: kleemame@umdnj.edu

**May 20, 2013 - 7:00 PM**
Convocation Ceremony
State Theatre, 11 Livingston Avenue - New Brunswick, NJ
For more information contact: hansenmp@umdnj.edu

3. Richard A. Harvey, PhD Award in Innovative teaching – Dean Peter Amenta

The Professor Richard A. Harvey Excellence in Teaching Innovation Award was presented to Dr. Diana Glendinning, associate professor of Neuroscience & Cell Biology
4. **Nominations for Standing Committees** - Alan Spotnitz, Secretary of the Faculty

The Faculty were provided with the nominations by the Nominations and Elections Committee; additional nominations were invited from the floor for the following Standing Committees:


**Advisory Committee on Appointments and Promotions** - The Nominations and Elections Committee nominated Joseph Aisner, *Louis Amorosa, David August, Joseph Barone, Jeffrey Carson, James Goydos, Michael Hampsey, *Kiran Madura, Judith Neubauer, David Riley, Monica Roth, Alann Solina and Donald Winkelmann. There were no nominations from the floor.

**Curriculum Committee** - The Nominations and Elections Committee nominated J Don Chen, *Emine Ercikan Abali, Huizhou Fan, George Mulheron, *Daniel Pilch, and Robert Zachow. Dale Woodbury was nominated from the floor.

**Executive Council** - The Nominations and Elections Committee nominated Emanuel DiCicco-Bloom, Marc Gartenberg, Thomas Hegyi, M Maral Mouradian, *Monica Roth, *Thomas Scanlin, and Donald Winkelmann. There were no nominations from the floor.

**Faculty Council** - The Nominations and Elections Committee nominated *Charletta Ayer, Shabbar Danish, Gary Ebert, Sarah Hitchcock-DeGregori, Henry Hsia, *Isaac Kim, Jeffrey Laskin, Kiran Madura, *Monica Roth, Anthony Tobia, and *Nancy Walworth. There were no nominations from the floor.

**Hearing Body for Student Rights** - The Nominations and Elections Committee nominated Charletta Ayers, Amy Church, David Crockett, *Tomer Davidov, Emine Ercikan Abali, Diana Glendinning, Anthony Lemaire, J Looney, M Maral Mouradian, Beatrix Roemheld-Hamm, Peter Yurchenco, Robert Zachow, and *Elaine Leventhal. Huaye Zhang and Smita Varia were nominated from the floor.

**Nominations and Elections Committee** - Nominated from the floor James Millonig, Lawrence Golbe, Mladen-Roko Rasin, Paul Lioy, Richard Drachman, Soula Koniaris, Stanley Trooskin, Sunanda Gaur, Susannah Wise, Terri Kinzy, Vicente Gracias, and William McAuliffe were nominated from the floor.

**Research Committee** - The Nominations and Elections Committee nominated J Don Chen, Estela Jacinto, Mercy Kuriyan, James Millonig, *Stephen Moorman, Vikas Nanda, *Alexey Ryazanov, Derek Sant'Angelo, Zhiyuan Shen, Frederick Silver, and James Tse. Konstantin Balashov, Michael Matise, and Chih-Cheng Tsai were nominated from the floor.

**Rules of Procedure** - The Nominations and Elections Committee nominated Amy Church, *Paul Manowitz, Peter Melera, Nakechand Pooran, *David Riley, Biren Saraiya, Anthony Scardella, David Swee, and Harvey Weiss, Laura Willett. Davide Comoletti and Federico Sesti were nominated from the floor.

*current committee members

5. **Faculty Council Report** – John Walker, RWJMS Faculty Council President

- The Faculty Council's elected Officers were announced: John Walker has been elected the new Faculty Council President, John Pintar has been elected Vice President and Geza Kiss was elected Secretary.
• The Rutgers University faculty governance structure was reviewed; the possibility of a separate faculty council representing Rutgers Biomedical Health Sciences is under exploration.

• Faculty were encouraged to attend one of the upcoming Strategic Planning Town Hall Meetings.

• Faculty were encouraged to attend the next Council meeting on May 21, 2013; Dr. Amenta is planning to attend that meeting.

• The Faculty Council expressed special thanks to Nancy Walworth, the inaugural Faculty Council President, who guided the Council through its early stages of development.

New Business

6. Dean Amenta asked for new business. Being none, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Spotnitz
Secretary of the Faculty