**Senate Affairs Committee (SAC)**

To be concerned with all matters pertaining to the functioning of the Senate. Responsible for a continuing review of the Rules of the Faculty Senate, recommending new rules when appropriate, and assisting in the interpretation of existing rules. Considers proposed revisions of the Constitution of the Faculty Assembly and Faculty Senate when this duty is assigned by the Senate.

Focus during 2021-2022:

1. Closely monitor and contribute to the discussion over the 2021-22 academic year of issues arising from the split between VU and VUMC.

2. Work with SPAF and Faculty Life committees to consider the need for a new standing committee, or a change in the charge of a current committee, that would monitor on an ongoing basis the academic relationship between the VU and VUMC.

3. Present an overview of the committee’s initial discussions and recommendation in the January or February Senate meeting.

4. If substantial changes are recommended, prepare and present a Resolution to the Faculty Senate for considering during the April or May Senate meeting.

5. In your final report for the year, make recommendations for the committee to consider or follow-up on in the 2022-23 academic year.

6. Work with the Provost’s office, the Office of the General Counsel, and other internal offices as appropriate to examine the relationship between the roles of a faculty grievance committee and the Equal Opportunity and Access office (or the Title IX office) if there are allegations of discrimination/harassment/retaliation raised in a grievance.

7. If necessary, work with the Faculty Manual committee to develop clarifying language about the interplay between these two processes for the Faculty Manual.

Committee Members:

1. EC Liaison: Rebecca Swan, Medicine (2023)
2. Chair 1: Debra Friedman, Medicine (2022)*
3. Chair 2: Cindy Reinhart-King, Engineering (2024)
4. Karen Bloch, Medicine (2023)*
5. Leonard Folgarait, A&S (2022)*
6. Eric Grogan, Medicine (2023)*
7. Robert Miller, Medicine (2023)*
8. Marcy Singer-Gabella, Peabody (2023)*
9. Julia Phillippi, Nursing (2022)*
10. Nicole Cobb, Peabody (2022)