Report of the Faculty Senate Standing Committee on University and Urban Affairs 2016-17 Academic Year

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The Faculty Senate Committee on University and Urban Affairs'

Our Mission is:

The Committee on University and Urban Affairs helps foster continued good citizenship between The George Washington University and the greater Washington, DC metropolitan area. The University and Urban Affairs Committee serves as an ongoing catalyst for maximum efficiency in this area and prevents the duplication of effort between GW and the community itself. By affirmatively tracking GW's already allocated resources and initiatives, the University and Urban Affairs Committee "paints the big picture" of GW's community relationships and subsequently provides the University with a valuable source of advice on continuous improvement and possible future endeavors.

1. <u>The UAUA Membership</u>: The UAUA Committee represents the breadth and strength of the University community, with active faculty, administrators, staff, and student members serving in full member or ex-officio status, from schools and departments across campus. Our membership includes: (asterisks note members of Senate):

*Chair: Newcomer, Kathryn, Public Policy and Public Administration *Jacobson, Leslie, Theatre and Dance LeLacheur, Susan, Physician Assistant Studies Wetenhall, Tanya, Theatre and Dance

Non-voting:

Cannaday Saulny, Helen, Associate Vice President, Student and Academic Support Service

Cohen, Amy, Executive Director, Honey Nashman Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service

Demczuk, Bernard, Assistant Vice President for District of Columbia Affairs

Katz, Louis H., Executive Vice President and Treasurer

Konwerski, Peter, Vice Provost and Dean of Student Affairs

McCorvey, Ann, Deputy Executive Vice President and Treasurer

*Pulcini, Joyce, Nursing, Executive Committee Liaison

*Squires, Gregory, Sociology Morrison, Emily, Sociology Jillian Catalontti, Nursing Diane Cline, History

- 2. On September 28, 2016, the Committee met and discussed what we should do that is appropriate for us and is not being done elsewhere in the university. For the 2016-17 academic year the committee decided to repeat our successful event from the 2015-16 academic year. Our **signature initiative** this year has been to focus on publicizing and promoting faculty involvement in District of Columbia, and we chose to focus on faculty involvement in two key areas:
 - a. addressing homelessness and
 - b. promoting public health among the most needy.

The subcommittee of the Committee focused on Homelessness planned and hosted one event, and due to other demands, the other subcommittee did not host an event this year.

- 3. Our main event was held on November 14, 2016: *Timone of DC* Performed by members of the Street Sense Theatre Workshop. See Appendix A below for the flyer on the event.
- 4. The **Honey Nashman Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service**, especially as represented by Center Director Amy Cohen, worked extremely closely with the Committee to implement our event on November 14th.
- 5. In addition, Chair (Kathy Newcomer) continued to consult with Amy Cohen, who has obtained the file of the faculty's community service entries from Lyterati. The Nashman Center has provided a stipend to the Geography Department to develop a map of the DC region that shows the many places where GW faculty are involved like the one that was developed for President Knapp's inauguration. As of this writing, the map -which we are calling the Knapp Map has not been made available. It is the intent of Dr. Newcomer and Director Cohen that this Knapp Map be made available, ideally in the Marvin Center.

Appendix A

Timone of DC

Performed by members of the Street Sense Theatre Workshop
Devised and directed by Leslie Jacobson
Music Direction and composition by Roy Barber
Assistant Director, Julia Barrett

World Premiere kicking off Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

Join the directors, writers, and performers of Street Sense as they transform Shakespeare's play, *Timon of Athens*, into a contemporary exploration of the impulses behind giving and receiving. Timone of DC gives away all worldly possessions indiscriminately. Only then does Timone begin to discover how to truly help another person.

A discussion will follow the 40-minute performance.

When: Monday, November 14th, 7 p.m.

Where: Building XX, the re-purposed church located at 814 20th Street NW,

Studio XX, second floor of the building

Please RSVP: GWServes@gwu.edu by November 8

Sponsors: The George Washington University's Department of Theatre & Dance, the Honey W. Nashman Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service, the Faculty Senate Committee on the University and Urban Affairs, and the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration