

Minutes of YU Manhattan Campuses Faculty Council Meeting 13 March 2015

Council members present: Avri Ravid, Joe Kerstein, Archishman; Abraham Givner, Charles Swencionis; Joan Beder; Joanne Jacobson, Gabriel Cwilich, Lauren Fitzgerald, Paula Geyh, William Stenhouse; Marina Holz, Josh Bacon, Nora Nachumi; David Carlson, Lynn Wishart; Rona Novick (for Moshe Krakowski).

Open meeting:

William Stenhouse agreed to take minutes.

The HR department was charged with cutting 3.2 million from the annual healthcare costs, at a time when the Affordable Healthcare Act is likely to make costs increase. The department has reviewed existing arrangements and consulted with faculty groups. Various options to reduce costs were considered, including removing out of network benefits, converting of PPO to POS, shifting to Empire's Blue Priority network, and using high deductible plans.