

## NEWARK BOARD OF GOVERNORS CANDIDATE BIO

**Name:** Pranela Rameshwar

**Degree:** Ph.D.

**Rank:** Professor

**School:** New Jersey Medical School

**Department:** Medicine

**Years of Service:** 21

**Experience with AAUP (if applicable):** Current member of the Board of Governors and Delegate to the National AAUP.

**Area(s) of interest (for example: research in\_\_\_\_, clinical practice, teaching, etc) Please be concise:** Teaching; Research in cancer dormancy, immune restoration of the aged, stem cell biology, hematopoiesis. I am a transitional scientist and professor with tenure in the Department of Medicine. I spend about 70% time on research in stem cell biology, breast cancer dormancy and anti-aging studies to restore the immune system at the source, namely the bone marrow. I also direct four graduate courses in stem cell, including a course devoted to cancer stem cell.

**Reason(s) for candidacy {what you expect to contribute to the organization (60 words or less):**

As a faculty who is involved in research, teaching and service, I believe in shared governance and academic freedom. Academia is at a crossroad wher freedom to respectfully debate the views of others and shared governance could be in jeopardy. In the absence of shared governance, academic freedom will become non-existent, resulting in a different type of academic institution. I am committed to represent the faculty to provide them with a “voice” in the future of RBHS. As we continue to move forward, I will bring our issues to the forefront and serve the faculty’s needs.