

**University of Washington**  
**Department of Earth and Space Sciences**  
**Meeting of Academic and Research Faculty in Open Session**  
**Friday, October 7, 2011 – 2:30pm, 111 Johnson Hall**

Department Chair Robert Winglee called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes of 10/07/11 Open Session minutes**

The draft minutes were circulated for review and were approved.

**Meeting synopsis:**

1. Announcements
2. Reports and Business
3. New Business
4. Old Business
5. Adjournment

**1. Announcements**

- Jody Bourgeois has volunteered to be the faculty lead for the GeoClub Hawaii Trip. We could use another faculty volunteer for the trip.
- Jody Bourgeois was also elected to the executive committee, and Bruce Nelson will stay on as ex officio
- The faculty retreat is November 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> and the strategic plan will be discussed.
- Mandatory trainings need to be completed. Also if you have not done your mandatory federal reporting you also need to do that.
- Peer reviews also need to be done, they should be as often as Annual Reviews.

**2. Reports and Business**

- *Undergraduate Program* – Nothing to report
- *Graduate Program* – Nothing to report
- *Admissions* – Winglee presented a possible change for new graduate student recruitments with them getting \$1500 for moving and expenses after they accept, and another \$500 one-time award after their prelim exam for research. The faculty unanimously approved.
- *Curriculum* – Brown did a call for Early Fall Start volunteers. You get a month of salary, and more information will be coming from the College. No developments on the prelim policy.  
Field camp has two sections, the traditional six week program and a section being called “3+3” for 3 weeks of field work and 3 weeks of lab work.  
The faculty were updated on the MESSAGE program and approved progress to date.
- *Development* - Nothing to report
- *Oversight* – Nothing to report

- *Computing* – Winglee informed the faculty that a large TV was being installed in 241 for video conference presentations and that the JHN 021 Undergraduate Computer Lab was being upgraded to better support GIS courses.
- *Scholarship* – Nothing to report
- *Prelim Committee* –
- *Promotion, Reappointment, and Merit* – Will report in executive session.

### **3. Old Business**

- The proposed budget cuts represent a 5% department cut and is expected to be offset with expected tuition increases. RCR is still growing.
- Search committees will make a presentation in the executive session.

### **4. New Business**

- Seismology has recently been awarded a \$2 million Moore Grant to implement an early warning system for the West Coast. 3 schools in all received funding, and in agreement with the College they are going to pursue a Geodesy search and hire. It is expected that this position will be academic and will teach geodesy courses, something we currently lack.

### **5. Adjournment**

The open session adjourned to the Executive Session at 3:30.

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Minutes by Nathan Briley

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Present:

Faculty: Bachmann, Bodin, Brown, Catling, Creager, Crider, Gillespie, Gomberg, Gorman-Lewis, Hallet, Holzworth, Houston, Huntington, Montgomery, Nelson, Nittrouer, Roe, Sletten, Steig, Vidale, Warren, Winebrenner, Winglee

Staff: Bernard, Brand, Briley, Conrad

Students: Harrold, Tobin