

Department of Earth and Space Sciences  
Meeting of the Faculty  
Friday, March 3, 2017  
JHN 026 ~ 2:30 p.m.

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**AGENDA**

Nicholas Hill, UW Global Travel Security Manager, made a short presentation on Global Travel Security and Health Safety.

**Call to Order - Meeting of the Faculty in Open Session**

Department Chair Bruce Nelson called the meeting to order at 2:53pm.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- The **February 3, 2017** Open Session Meeting Minutes were circulated and approved.

**Announcements**

- ESS Awards and Scholarships Applications are now available. Applications are due no later than 5pm on Monday, April 3.
- Next Community & Diversity Discussion group meeting, led by Noell Bernard-Kingsley. QRC library on 3/17 11:30-12:30. All ESS members are encouraged to attend.
- Graduate Activity Reports are due to Faculty Advisors by March 31.
- Faculty Activity Reports are due for upload by March 31 [deadline later changed to April 21].
- No space squatting: all repurposing or new use of space – either office or laboratory – must be coordinated through the Chair's office. This includes grad students changing offices.
- ASUW Senate Resolution R-23-21: A Resolution Regarding Affordable Course Materials
- Good news items
  - Prospective Graduate Student dinner was a success with over 100 attendees.
  - Donations in support of prizes to be awarded at the ESS Research Gala will be matched by ESS. The Gala will be held March 30-31, with the reception on the 31st. There will be a wide variety of prizes awarded. Faculty are encouraged to donate, and the Department will match those funds 1:1 with other donor gifts. Grads who have received research funding in the past year are encouraged to present their work at the Gala.
  - Dr. Don Easterbrook's geological photograph collection is now available digitally at UW Libraries: <http://content.lib.washington.edu/easterbrook/index.html>
    - The Libraries will hold a reception to thank Easterbrook during the summer.
  - Vulcan (aka Paul Allen Foundation) has transferred \$1.8M to the UW in support of Knut Christianson's polar research.

**Reports and Business**

- **Curriculum** (Gorman-Lewis) – Update on Prerequisite changes. Most changes have been made, please check for any errors. There will be a new online system to propose new courses or change existing courses. Meghan Oxley will present a demonstration of the new curriculum management system at the April faculty meeting.
- **Undergraduate Program** (Roe) – Any last minute changes to the time schedule must now go through Gerard, not Lauren.
- **Graduate Program** (Creager) – Graduate student activity reports are due to faculty by March 31, and faculty must sign off on them by April 14.

## Standing Committees

- **Admissions** (Buick) – The Prospective Graduate Student Open House was very successful. If you've received a decline by an admitted student, let us know. There are still backup candidates for admission. Follow up with your admitted grads.
- **Computing** (Harnett) – Nothing to report.
- **MESSAGe** (Crider) – Nothing to report.
- **Oversight** (Brown/McCarthy) – Nothing to report.
- **Prelim** (Schmidt/Steig) – Will discuss in EXEC session.
- **Promotion, Reappointment & Merit** (Holzworth/Catling) – Will discuss in EXEC session.
- **Scholarships, Fellowships, and Awards** (Bergantz) – Application window is now open. Deadline for applying for scholarships and awards is April 3.
- **College Council Representation** (Waddington) – Council has completed review of all promotion and tenure portfolios. An upcoming major item will be advising the Dean on setting college guidelines for faculty salary policies within units. The Council is exploring options for bringing together members of the College from different units, who otherwise might not interact (e.g., College-wide colloquia of broad interest).

## Old Business

## New Business

**Adjourn to Executive Session (3:15 p.m.)**

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Minutes by Scott Dakins.

Attendees – Faculty: Bergantz, Bodin, Brown, Buick, Catling, Creager, Duvall, Gorman-Lewis, Hallet, Holzworth, Houston, Licht, Nelson, Roe, Schmidt, Sletten, Steig, Teng, Vidale, Waddington, Walters, Winebrenner.

Staff, Students, and Guests: Bernard-Kingsley, Bernhardt, Dakins, Gomberg, Hill, Kehrl, Koehler, McManus, Northway.