

Department of Earth and Space Sciences
Meeting of the Faculty
Friday, May 4, 2018
JHN 026 ~ 2:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Call to Order - Meeting of the Faculty in Open Session

Department Chair Bruce Nelson called the meeting to order at 2:36pm.

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes**
 - The **April 6, 2018** Faculty Meeting Minutes were circulated and approved.

- **Announcements**
 - The ESS Annual Awards and Scholarships Ceremony will be held Thursday, May 10 at 3:30 in JHN 102, reception to follow in the Courtyard.
 - Commencement will be Saturday, June 9 at 9am in the HUB Lyceum. Further info will be forthcoming from Student Services.
 - The next all College of the Environment seminar will be on May 8 starting at 4:30 in FSB auditorium room 102. Title: "From Land and Sea" will feature 4 panelists including our own David Montgomery. Followed by a yummy reception!
 - Alumna Cathy Whitlock, Professor at Montana State University, has been elected as a member of the National Academy of Sciences. Cathy was a student of Estella Leopold's.
 - The Academic Student Employee union has authorized a one day strike for May 15. Noell has scheduled an open meeting on May 8 to foster discussion of the contract issues. Negotiations between the UW and the union are ongoing.

- **Reports and Business**
 - **Curriculum** (Teng) – Nothing to report.
 - **Undergraduate Program** (Roe) – Nothing to report.
 - **Graduate Program** (Creager) – Reminder that GSARs are due. To date, 40 students are completed, 30 are not.

- **Standing Committees**
 - **Admissions** (Buick) – Title IX report on most recent admission cycle. We received 163 applications to the graduate program: 92 male and 71 female. Of these, we made 19 offers: 9 male and 10 female. In addition there are still 2 females on the hold list. Of the 19 who received offers, 6 males and 2 females have accepted. Big thanks to the admissions committee, especially Alison Duvall for adding gender diversity to the committee.
 - **Computing** (Walters) – Nothing to report.
 - **MESSAGe** (Cridler) – MESSAGe admissions cycle still ongoing. Will report results at the June faculty meeting.
 - **Oversight** (Bergantz/McCarthy) – Nothing to report.
 - **Prelim** (Gorman-Lewis/Stone) – Nothing to report.
 - **Promotion, Reappointment & Merit** (Holzworth/Waddington) – Will report in executive session.
 - **Senate** (Harnett) – Summary of April 19th Senate meeting. Regarding Direct To College admissions, the Provost has proposed a cool-down period in the conversation until Autumn quarter.

- **Scholarships, Fellowships, and Awards** (Stone) – Deliberations have been completed, ESS Awards Ceremony is May 10.
- **College Council Representation** (Bergantz) – Update on changes to College Bylaws. Large number of proposed edits dealing with a variety of issues.

- **Old Business**

- **New Business**
 - ESS graduate students made a presentation to the faculty regarding issues surrounding the ongoing negotiations between the University administration and the ASE union. A document presenting the bargaining position of the graduate students and signed by ESS graduate students was presented to the faculty and will be posted on the departmental web site.

- **Adjourn to Executive Session** (3:23 pm)

Minutes by Scott Dakins.

Attendees: Faculty – Bergantz, Bodin, Buick, Christianson, Collins, Conway, Creager, Crider, Duvall, Hallet, Harnett, Holzworth, Huntington, McCarthy, Nelson, Nittrouer, Schmidt, Teng, Toner, Waddington, Walters, Winebrenner.

Staff, Students, and Guests – Dakins, Kelson, Ludwig, Northway