Faculty Meeting Minutes  
Friday, October 9, 2015: 10:00am – 12:00pm

PRESENT: Attie (arrived 10:06), Bednarek, Butcher, Cox (arrived 10:43), Fox, Friesen, Hayes, Henzler-Wildman, Hoskins, Kiessling, Kimble, Landick, Markley, Martin (arrived 10:06; exited 11:47), Mitchell, Ntambi (exited 11:10), Palmenberg, Ralph, Raman, Rayment, Record (arrived 10:14), Senes, Sussman (exited 10:55), Weibel (arrived 10:41), Wickens and Wildonger

ABSENT: Amasino, Ansari, Clagett-Dame, Craig, Holden, Pagliarini, Pike and Raines

Fox called the meeting to order (10:03).

1. (10:04) Fox welcomed Dean Kate Vandenbosch to the meeting. Dean Vandenbosch opened the floor for discussion on topics submitted by the faculty. Dialogue followed on the below subjects:
   a. the interplay between basic research, the CALS Strategic Plan, and the direction of the department, during which the dean encouraged faculty to collectively decide where within the Strategic themes they should direct the department;
   b. the enhancement of teaching programs within the department, during which the Dean encouraged the department to discuss plans for summer courses with CALS, and to consider learning goals for undergraduates and the appropriate size of the major (contact Sarah Pfatteicher for metrics);
   c. the evolution of International Programs Office, which is working on building a coordinated partnership with campus international and other relevant offices; the dean advised faculty interested in participating in the process of hiring a director to watch for candidate interview information.

Dean Kate exited the meeting.

2. (11:13) Fox announced the following items:
   a. Fox welcomed Vatsan Raman to his inaugural faculty meeting.
   b. Travel funds are available from the Grad School for IPIB recruiting efforts; contact Fox with a proposal. Funds from the Grad School will be made available for faculty only. Other sources of funds are available to support student travel.

3. (11:20) Fox reintroduced the motion from the September 11, 2015 faculty meeting that the department withdraw $3 million from the principal of the endowment to cover ongoing
commitments (so moved by Amasino, seconded by Cox). Discussion followed. Votes by private ballot are due on Friday, October 16, 2015.

4. (11:30) Mitchell reported for the Space Committee on a request from Raman to relocate his lab. Mitchell made a motion to move Raman’s lab space to the space previously occupied by Dave Pagliarini: rooms 426, 428 (shared), 435, 435A,B,C, and 441B. Cox seconded the motion, which passed unanimously after discussion.

5. (11:37) Rayment reminded the faculty that the IPiB Handbook for 2015-16 had been updated from previous versions. Rayment made a motion that the faculty approve the handbook. Landick seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

6. (11:39) Rayment raised the question of how a student’s affiliation with IPiB should be represented in research publications. Faculty consensus was that a student’s name should carry two separate affiliation superscripts, one identifying the Department, and one identifying IPiB.

7. (11:42) Palmenberg informed the faculty that a Qualitative Methods Boot Camp course was being formulated and would be formally presented to the faculty in the coming months. Collaborators include Senes, Mitchell, and Jean-Yves Sgro.

8. (11:47) Hoskins initiated the process of choosing seminar speakers for 2016-17. Nominations for the Steenbock Lecturer and International Steenbock Lecturer should be submitted by October 23, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned (11:50).

Respectfully submitted,

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