Faculty Meeting Minutes  
Friday, March 9, 2018: 10:00am – 12:00pm

PRESENT: Amasino (exited 11:20), Attie (arrived 10:08), Butcher, Clagett-Dame, Craig, Fox, Friesen, Henzler-Wildman, Hoskins, Kimble, Landick, Markley, Martin, Pagliarini, Palmenberg, Rayment, Record (arrived 10:10), Senes (arrived 10:11), Sussman (exited 10:57), Wickens, and Wildonger (exited 11:20)

ABSENT: Ansari, Bednarek, Cox, Hayes, Holden, Mitchell, Ntambi, Pike, Ralph, Raman, Romero, Venturelli, and Weibel

Fox called the meeting to order (10:05).

1. (10:05) Sundaram Gunasekaran “Guna” from CALS International Programs joined the meeting to introduce himself and promote the program, which facilitates faculty international involvement. Guna exited at the end of the conversation.

2. (10:11) Mario Pennella and Amy Betzelberger joined the meeting to introduce themselves and their roles in the department. Mario Pennella (Associate Faculty Associate) instructs Biochem 100, 104, and 501. Amy Betzelberger serves as the new Undergraduate Student Services Coordinator. Pennella and Betzelberger exited at the end of the conversation.

3. (10:19) Fox made the following announcements:
   a. Next month’s faculty meeting will be WISELI’s Breaking the Bias Habit workshop from 10am – 1pm in room 2321 on April 13, 2018.
   b. Results of faculty e-votes since previous meeting: February 15, 2018: Executive Committee voted to support the promotion of Hoskins to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure.
   c. Mike Cox selected to receive the Mentoring Undergraduates in Research Award.
   d. Vince Borleske from the CALS Research Division will be departing in late March. Please allow extra lead time for proposal review before submission.
   e. Campus access to D2L and Moodle will end on June 1, 2018. Contact Matthew Jones with any questions.

4. (10:22) Hoskins reported for the Seminar Committee. Hoskins provided an update on the 2018-19 seminar speakers and deadlines. Please contact Hoskins with nominations or ideas for the 2019 seminar series.
5. (10:23) Pagliarini provided an update on the Morgridge Metabolism search. Benjamin Tu visited campus last week. Helen Lai, possible spousal hire with Tu, will be holding a seminar in Neuroscience at noon on March 14, 2018.

(10:34) Fox provided an update on the cluster hire initiative. Round two of proposals are due April 2, 2018. Please send revised proposals to Fox for review before submitting.

6. (10:36) Fox provided an update on the CALS Reorganization. Departments will be asked to develop a concept document regarding whether the department structure should remain as is (or outlining a proposed merger or other affiliation). Interest in serving on ad hoc committees to develop the concept document was assessed and noted. Additional information from the Dean’s office will inform next steps.

The meeting was adjourned (11:38).

Respectfully submitted,

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