

Forestry Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Friday, June 15, 2012

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The regular bi-weekly meeting of the Forestry Executive Committee called to order by Steve Tesch at 8:30 a.m.

I. Summary of Actions Items

- **Seema Mangla's Employment**
Nathalie will schedule a follow-up meeting for Steve Tesch, John Mann, Paul Doescher, and Roger Admiral for coordination.
- **College of Forestry Positions Start-ups**
Steve Tesch is waiting to hear from Rick Spinrad about the total dollars for the College.
- **LTER Administrative Support Follow-up**
Hal will follow-up with Bov Eav about his decision.
- **OWEB Meeting Update**
Jim Johnson raised a concern that the College of Forestry doesn't currently have any representation on the Board of Forestry or any advisory committees that will work on Governor's upcoming forestry initiatives. FEC will further discuss this issue.
- **Internationalizing of the College**
FEC will wait for the arrival of a new dean for input and schedule a retreat with the faculty to brainstorm on this issue.

II. Announcements/Additional Agenda Items

- **06-15-12 Space Committee Meeting**
The Committee planned to meet at 2:30 PM in PVY 143 for an hour to frame some guidance for the new Dean on negotiation of faculty and staff positions.
- **Update on Peter Thornton/COAS Position**
Peter Thornton decided to stay in his current position at Oak Ridge National Laboratory.
- **Follow-up on Dual Career Hire Opportunity with College of Public Health and Human Sciences**
Brian Robinson's case is in the hand of the Deans for consideration of the next steps. FEC wanted further discussion on the position that Brian would fill in the context of other College of Forestry faculty line positions.
- **Economy and Jobs Program Funding Team Meeting**
Steve Tesch and Dan Arp presented their proposals for the FRL & AES programs on June 13 to the members of the Economy and Jobs Program Funding Team. Steve reported on how his presentation went. The team was very interested in

commercialization. Rick Spinrad was called to provide further info.

- **OWEB Meeting**

Jim Johnson reported on the OWEB meeting in Salem with the Governor. The Governor is interested in forest health and sage-grouse issues. **Jim raised a concern that the College of Forestry doesn't currently have any representation on the Board of Forestry or any advisory committees that will work on upcoming initiatives.**

III. **Meeting Minutes Approval**

The June 1, 2012, FEC meeting minutes were approved.

IV. **Internationalizing of the College** – Ed Jensen and Jim Johnson

Ed prepared a summary of thoughts about internationalizing the undergraduate education programs of the College of Forestry that he handed out at the meeting to frame the conversation and to make everyone understand what the College is currently doing. Ed provided a list of new efforts that the College could undertake. He sent to the FEC an overview of Chinese universities with Forestry Programs. Jim described his efforts with international research and development. Jim discussed the challenges with faculty engagement. FEC supported the exploration of the 2+2 forestry programs and having a point person fully dedicated to international programs. Jim reminded the FEC that he chaired the College International Program Advisory Committee.

Action Item

FEC will wait for the arrival of a new dean for input and to schedule a retreat with the faculty to brainstorm on this issue.

V. **Staffing Coordination for Vacated Positions** – Ed Jensen

The FEC discussed the College's upcoming vacancies and staff issues with advising, teaching, the professional school, the media center, and the College Forests. The purpose of the discussion was to think about these vacated positions in a more collective way to see how they can be rearranged.

Action Item

Members of the FEC scheduled further discussion on this topic.

VI. **FERM FEC Member at Large Nominations** – Thomas Maness

Thomas will report back to FEC on the FERM nominations.

VII. **Other Topics**

- **Recreation and Ecotourism Update** – Randy Rosenberger

Randy Rosenberger informed the FEC that he and Mark Needham will have the two-pager ready in August. Randy discussed a proposal to hire of a new GRA to champion the new program. FEC discussed the funding of the position.

- **FES Economists/AREC Relationship** – Randy Rosenberger

Randy Rosenberger reported on his conversation with Susan Capalbo about the relationship between the FES economists and AREC. FEC discussed personnel matters.

- **P&T Proposed Revisions** – Steve Tesch
On June 12, Becky Warner send a campus message regarding the proposed revisions to the Promotion and Tenure Guidelines. A copy of the email was handed out at the meeting. The Faculty Senate approved the proposed changes on June 14. Randy Rosenberger attended the meeting and offered his interpretation on the changes regarding conflict of interest and the interplay between research and scholarship.
- **Commencement** – Ed Jensen
Ed Jensen gave an update on the coordination and preparation for the College of Forestry Commencement Brunch.
- **Board of Visitors Astoria Meeting** – Steve Tesch
Steve Tesch reminded the FEC about the key events.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Nathalie Gitt and revised by Steve Tesch

Roll Call

Members Present:

Roger Admiral, Paul Doescher, Ed Jensen, Jim Johnson, Eric Hansen, Thomas Maness, Marv Pyles, Randy Rosenberger, Laurie Schimleck, Steve Tesch,

Member Absent: Hal Salwasser

Guests: Zak Hansen

Meeting Handouts:

- 1) 06-15-12 FEC Meeting Agenda – Steve Tesch
- 2) 06-01-12 FEC Meeting Draft Minutes – Steve Tesch
- 3) 06-14-12 FEC Action Items List – Nathalie Gitt
- 4) Internationalization UG Education Program of CoF – Ed Jensen
- 5) P&T Proposed Revisions June 12 Email – Vickie Nunnemaker
- 6) Board of Visitors Participants List – Nathalie Gitt