Forestry Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
DRAFT
Friday, February 12, 2010
8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Richardson Hall 115

Meeting facilitated by Steve Tesch

List of Attendees:

Members present: Roger Admiral, Eric Hansen, Barbara Bond, Jim Johnson, Brenda McComb, Tom McLain, Steve Tesch, Hal Salwasser

Absence: Thomas Maness and Ed Jensen

Guests: Paul Doescher, Claire Montgomery, Kathy Howell, David Hibbs

Meeting Handouts:
1) 01-22-10 FEC Meeting Minutes
2) 01-11-10 Action Items Tracking List
3) Copy of OSU’s Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Program requirements to comply with the new National Science Foundation (NSF) policy
4) Associate Prof. Georgi Kostov’s Bio
5) Alumni Advisory Council Position Description

I. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

The minutes from the January 22 FEC meeting were approved.

II. Review Agenda and Status of Past Action Items

• Additional items were added on the agenda:
  - Discussion of short course on Difference, Power, and Discrimination
  - FS ARRA funding opportunity SEEDS

• The Research Coop. Ad Hoc Committee is tentatively scheduled to report to FEC at the February 25th meeting.

• Steve will finish the revision on the guidelines for endowed faculty reviews.

• The pack essay award flyer has been distributed around campus.

• Alumni Awards will be addressed at the next meeting.
The College is waiting to receive the web templates. Five short stories have been identified.

Departments need to lock-in scheduling for Peavy and Richardson classrooms for fall term before the OSU Schedule Desk grabs them.

Four participants registered to participate in the Navigating Differences: Brenda McComb, Viviane Simon-Brown, Margie York, and Christine Olsen.

III. Updates and Conversation with the Dean

- Furlough program for next year – unlikely, but waiting for official announcement after the legislature adjourns.

- OSUF Strategic Plan meeting w/ESS Deans Mtg. – Report on discussion and issues about business model that the university is working under that will not be sustainable.

- Retirement Incentives: nothing new on retirement package.

- Paul Doescher joined us for a conversation about semester conversion. Paul is the faculty representative for OSU, UO, and PSU on a larger committee charged by the Chancellor’s office to respond to the requirement to evaluate semester conversion embedded in SB 442 during the last session. Paul indicated that there is a “fact finding phase” underway by the committee. The information gathered will be used to develop a survey that will be distributed to faculty and others later this spring for more reaction and then will be presented to the legislature in October. FEC discussed the approach of the semester conversion, advantages and disadvantages, and perception on how this would affect research and impact on faculty time.

- Campaign update:

  Report on new gifts
  Verbal agreement on a new million dollar estate gift to WSE. This will push the College over our initial campaign goal.
  The Campbell Group will be making a continuing gift to the College that will go towards scholarships.
  Meeting slated with Peter Hayes in mid March to discuss future Hayes Family gifting.

  Report on University campaign goal
  The University campaign goals will be extended through 2013 and be raised to $850 million. The focus of the extension will be on faculty endowments.
March 15 Division Report – Discussed approach and structure for the report; agreed to emphasize strategic plan signature areas rather than divisional structure.

**Actions Items:**
Send draft status reports to Steve Tesch on:
- Departmental curriculum revisions for undergrad and grad programs
- Brenda - Have discussion with COAS about Earth Systems undergraduate programs
- Paul Doescher - Natural Resources and Recreation Program (integrated curriculum) and funding model.
- Environmental Synthesis Institute and Regional Climate Center Initiative for DOI.

**IV. Research Office Update**
Steve Tesch described the new training requirement directed at Responsible Conduct of Research for anyone involved in new NSF Awards. NSF has mandated certification of training for post docs and graduate students. The FEC reviewed the OSU RCR Program framework that includes two levels of training. The FEC discussed thoughts and comments about the draft plan, and potential expansion to all faculty, staff, and students in COF regardless of funding source.

Steve also provided an update on the Research Office call for new faculty start-up funds and upcoming 6 month interim assignments in the RO to support Rich Holdren while he is interim VP for Research.

**Action Items:**
- ESS Division Deans to talk about how to broaden RCR training across the division.
- Steve needs to follow up with Rich within two weeks with any faculty start up proposals for the next 12 months.

**V. Department Heads’ Plan for Fernhopper Day**
Will discuss at the next meeting.

**VI. Others**

a. **Dean’s Award Ceremony**
The planning for the Dean’s Award is moving along. This year, we have 8 retirees and 9 Awardees. Department Heads are encouraged to support attendance!

b. **Dr. Kostov’s Visit**
Hal provided some ideas for Dr. Kostov’s visit on March 4. Plans are in the works to organize a brown bag lunch presentation (30 minutes) on forests in Bulgaria and a meeting for discussion with CoF faculty. Dr. Kostov will be invited to attend the Starker Lecture, reception, and dinner that day.

**Action Items:**
Nathalie will coordinate the visit.

c. **Alumni Board Advisory Council Nominations**
The nominating committee of the OSU Alumni Association Board of Directors is seeking recommendations for members of the OSUAA Alumni Advisory Council. They are asking each college to submit at least two alumni for consideration. The deadline to submit the names is February 19.

FEC suggested some names:
Eric Kranzush (FM 2001); employed by Giustina Resources
Eric Watrud, (NR 2000); Washington DNR

**Action Item:**
WSE – Tom will get back to us with a WST name.

d. **DPD**
2-week long course focused on difference, power and discrimination – Opportunity to faculty include an incentive for people who participate.
Contact Brenda for more information and for application

e. **FS ARRA funding update:**
Steve and David Zahler are working on a proposal that will support expansion of SEEDS effort.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

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**Minutes submitted: Nathalie Gitt**
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