



Forestry Executive Committee Meeting Notes

Friday, January 6, 2017

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Richardson Hall 115

Meeting Chaired by Adrienne Wonhof

Notes by Nathalie Gitt

In attendance: Michael Collins, Marlys Amundson, Eric Hansen, Steve Fitzgerald, Terralyn Vandetta, Lisa Ganio, Roger Admiral, Adrienne Wonhof, Zak Hansen, Jim Johnson, Claire Montgomery, Anthony S. Davis, Steve Tesch, Woody Chung, Laurie Schimleck, Randy Rosenberger, Thomas Maness, Troy Hall, and Geoff Huntington (via phone)

I. Updates and Conversations with Dean Maness

- **Richardson Repairs: Questions/Concerns**

Dean Maness thanked everyone for their patience and Eagle Mountain Construction for getting the project done on time and for being so responsive to the requests to the faculty and staff during the Richardson Repairs. Richardson residents were able to return to their offices. For help contact the contractor: Chip Hogle at 971-400-6941.

- **New Peavy Update**

Geoff Huntington gave an update on demolition progress. Effective December 24, the University terminated the agreement for construction of the Forest Science Complex held by Walsh Construction. This also ended demolition of old Peavy Hall pending a replacement firm. Andersen Construction has been engaged to finish demolition activities. Andersen was a finalist in the original bid process and are well versed with the wood design elements of new Peavy and the AWP laboratory. Look for more news soon and feel free to contact Geoff for any questions.

Action Item: The Dean's office will work a plan to communicate the decision externally to CoF external community.

- **WSE Dept. Update**

Thomas Maness gave an update on the upcoming changes that will take place in the Wood Science and Engineering Department. Effective immediately Laurie Schimleck will be serving as the Graduate Program Director for the College. The Dean will nominate an interim dept. head between now and June. There will be an open process for naming a new Department Head.

- **FERM Dept. Head Search Update**

Randy Rosenberger will be leading and chairing the search for a new FERM Department Head. The College will have a year to complete that search.

- **National Search for OSU New Provost and Executive Vice President Update**

Dean Maness gave an update on the progress for the search for the new Provost.

II. **Computing Services Director Position Update**

Terralyn Vandetta will assume the directorship of the Computing Group. The Computing Group will discuss the implications of the decision of not filling Mike Altimus' FTEs on managing users' expectation of the services going forward.

III. **Reviewers Requested & Call: Dean's Award for Outstanding Achievement Nominations**

Anyone interested in serving on the reviewing committee of the Dean's award nominations, please contact Adrienne Wonhof. The nominations are due by January 17. Thanks to Michael Collins, Jim Johnson, Anthony S. Davis, Randy Rosenberger, and Woody Chung for volunteering.

IV. **Research Support Faculty (RSF) Professional Development Funding Update**

Anthony S. Davis reported that the process used this year to get requests for funding for RSF professional development activities worked well. There were 7 applications received and 6 proposals funded. About \$10,000 was funded for RSF professional development.

Action Item: Post an announcement in CoF this Week with the names for the faculty and description of the professional development activities that were funded.

V. **Engagement with Juntos Family Day Invitation**

A copy of the poster for the event was provided as an attachment in the pre-read materials. Scott Reed, the Vice Provost for University Outreach and Engagement and Director, OSU Extension Service invited the College of Forestry to be engaged with [Juntos Family Day](#) April 29, 2017, when they will host more than 1,400 Latino youth and family members on the OSU Corvallis Campus. The event is designed to build upon community-based preparation and illustrate educational pathways as part of the award-winning Open Campus innovation within the OSU Extension Service. [Juntos](#) ("Together," in Spanish), has shown enormous capability to strengthen high school graduation rates of Latino/a youth—*currently 100 percent*—and stimulate their enrollment in higher education. The College of Forestry has been involved with the event in the past. This year the College will do a 1.5-hour information session and host a lunch for the group.

Decision Required on Sponsors Level:

Michael Collins to follow-up with Amanda about sponsor level up to \$1000. Randy Rosenberger will make a recommendation to the Dean. Randy Rosenberger will send an announcement to the FEC to get a list of individuals who should be participating (CoF Spanish speaking and research faculty). Zak Hansen will reach out to constituents to see if there is an interest in a partnership.

VI. **OSU Retirement Association Presentation**

Jack Walstad and Tony Van Vliet from the OSU Retirement Association were invited to give An informational presentation and raise the profile of the organization to generate more interest. Jack Walstad is the president of the OSU Retirement Association. Membership in the OSU Retirement Association is open to all retirees from OSU, both faculty and staff, including retirees of the OSU Alumni Association and the OSU Foundation, those who are pre-retirement and working for OSU, the surviving spouse/partner of OSU Faculty and staff as well as retirees from other universities. Dues for first year members are free and \$25 a year for individual and \$30 for families. Jack passed around a 2-page flyer and the Fall 2016

newsletter at the meeting. More information on the OSU Retirement Association is available at <http://osura.oregonstate.edu/>. Michael Collins will be the College of Forestry liaison.

VII. Scholarship Assessment Draft Report Discussion

Randy Rosenberger presented a draft report on the College of Forestry Scholarship Allocation Assessment over the past 4-yrs, and by cohort. A copy of the draft report was distributed as an attachment in the pre-read materials. Randy is the Chair of the CoF Scholarship Committee. Other members of the committee are Jeff Morrell, Jeff Hatten, and Kira Hughes, a new member from the FES Department will be appointed. The college is working to increase scholarship funding, looking for special donation for underrepresented majors and increase-targeted scholarship. Randy will be making some edits on the report and will distribute to the FEC.

VIII. 2017 Starker Lecture Series Schedule of Events

More information on the Starker Lecture Series schedule are available at <http://starkerlectures.forestry.oregonstate.edu/>. For questions, contact Jessica Fitzmorris.