

College of Forestry Executive Committee

Bi-Weekly Meeting
Friday, February 22, 2013
8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Richardson Hall 107

MEETING NOTES

Attendance

Roger Admiral, John Bliss, Paul Doescher, Eric Hansen, Zak Hansen, Kathy Howell, Geoff Huntington, Jim Johnson, Thomas Maness, John Mann, Claire Montgomery, Robin Rose, Randy Rosenberger, Laurie Schimleck, Steve Tesch

Guests: Lee Buckingham, Jo Hulbert, Danielle Marias, Max Taylor

Notes by Nathalie Gitt revised by Geoff Huntington

Introduction of Graduate Student Council Officers – Lee Buckingham introduced three new officers of the student Council: Danielle Marias, Treasurer; Max Taylor, Secretary; and Lee Buckingham, Communications.

Updates and Conversation with the Dean – Thomas Maness

- **College Forests Update** – John Mann will be leaving the College of Forestry the end of March. He has accepted a new position as VP of Timberland Operations for Western Forest Products in Vancouver Island. Dean Maness thanked John for his many contributions to the College of Forestry over the last three years and wished him well on his new assignment.
- **Ecostrust Seminars in Corvallis/Portland Update** – Dean Maness reported on the great discussions that took place during the two seminars from Dr. Gary Bull hosted by CoF and Ecostrust. These presentations will help the college achieve its rebranding goal by reconnecting with the various constituencies. The college will be an active participant in community forests. The next topic will be announced.

ECampus Report and Discussion – Jim Johnson is continuing his discussion regarding ECampus programs to develop a College-wide operational policy. Jim discussed four categories of issues he sees needed to be addressed (what gets taught, compensation, flow of revenue (especially for cross-listed courses), and quality control). The main issue is around who owns vs. who teaches the courses. Jim asked that the College doesn't commit to any new MOUs or agreements until the policy is developed. Jim will continue to collect input on issues and will update FEC at a future meeting with draft policy provisions.

Developing Foundation Fundraising Priorities – Zak Hansen presented a draft template to identify and track COF funding priorities and targets. Zak will be meeting with the Department Heads, Associate Deans, College Forests staff, and faculty at departmental meetings to talk about needs and gather a list of contacts to populate the template and to see if its structure needs to be adjusted. This tool will be very useful for the Board of visitors meeting. One of the College's goal is to broaden the College base funding. FEC discussed ways to build tracking

lists of our graduates and faculty relationships with various groups to identify needs, and get leads. Other issues discussed was the need for rebasing relationships and collaborations with people who want to be engaged with the College.

Campus Sustainability Initiative – Roger Admiral briefed FEC on a planned Campus-wide composting initiative going on. The College is looking for a sustainability coordinator. This is a great opportunity for students' involvement. Geoff Huntington has offered to work with the individuals interested in this effort.

***Action Required** – Roger Admiral asked for names of people who would be interested in this topic.*

Outstanding Alumnus Awardees Info – Nathalie Gitt reminded Department Heads to submit the names of their awardees to Kira Hughes by March 1st.

***Action Required:** Submittals must include contact info, photos, statements for the award plaques, and statements for the program describing awardees' accomplishments and why they were chosen.*

Director of Communication Position Update – Geoff Huntington informed FEC on the progress of the hiring of the new Director of Communication position. He will send a status report next week on the decision to hire another successful candidate from the pool or open a new recruitment.

Agenda Items for Future FEC Meetings – Geoff Huntington reminded everyone to let him know if they have issues and topics for discussion that need to be scheduled in the future.

Research FTE – Steve Tesch asked FEC if there was a process in place for documenting research FTE proposals. **Follow-up discussion required**

Research Office Start-up Proposals Request – Steve Tesch reminded Department Heads to let him know if they had any requests.

FEC Special Topic Discussion: What does it mean to internationalize our College?
The discussion on internationalizing the College was led by John Bliss.

No Meeting Handouts