

Forestry Executive Committee Meeting Notes

Friday, April 4

Richardson Hall 115

8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Attendees: Roger Admiral, Mike Altimus, John Bliss, Zak Hansen, Geoff Huntington, Thomas Maness, Claire Montgomery, Ann Mary Quarandillo, Jim Johnson, Jeff Morrell, Steve Fitzgerald, Robin Rose, Randy Rosenberger, Laurie Schimleck, Steve Tesch

Guests: Tyson Bertone-Riggs, Michelle Justice, Troy Hall, John Sessions, Glenn Howe, Terralyn Vandetta, Haily Buckingham

Notes: Nathalie Gitt

Agenda Review and Suggestions for Additional Items

- **Safety Committee Update** – Steve Tesch, Chair
Steve circulated a new membership proposal for the College Safety Committee.

Update and Conversation – Thomas Maness

- **Provost's Council Positions Update**
Thomas gave a brief description of what the new initiative includes.
- **PNW Research Station Meeting**
Thomas will be meeting with Meg Mitchell and Rob Mangold to discuss research interests around the Willamette NF, PNW and OSU.

Graduate Students Support

John Bliss raised issues related to the recruitment and support to graduate students and was seeking ideas for new approaches. FEC provided feedback on:

- Funding resources (i.e. full assistantship/bundling fellowship funding with endowed fund, more incentive to faculty);
- Process for recruitment and consistent communication (i.e. early recruitment and package development);
- Development of guidelines for strategic decision;
- Looking at other peer organization;
- Gathering student demographics to attract top students.

Draft CoF Space Allocation Policy

Randy Rosenberger will open a college-wide discussion of a draft space policy. FEC reviewed an initial draft for comments. The primary motivations in developing this policy are to increase the effective allocation of space, and to provide assurances that space will be reallocated based on needs and changing conditions in our college.

FEC discussed the design of the reviewing process before the policy comes back to FEC: There will be several ways to provide comments on any aspect of the Space Allocation Policy. The comments will be kept anonymous with the exception of the forums and department meetings, which are group settings. The written comments will be submitted to Randy before May 3, 2014. Randy will send a college-wide message with all the details.

Proposed timeline:

April 7-May 2 - open comment period

May 10 - new draft based on received comments

June 3 - discussion at CoF faculty meeting

June 30 - final draft adopted

- **Announcements**

Thomas will be sending a personal invitation to the faculty to attend two very special and important upcoming students' events:

- **Spring Awards Banquet**
Tuesday, May 13
5:30 pm
CH2M HILL Alumni Center

Our outstanding graduating students will be given their awards and the College will recognize top faculty and outstanding alumnus from each of our departments.

- **College Commencement Brunch**
Saturday, June 14
8:00 am
Peavy Hall Courtyard

The College will honor the graduating students. This will be a great time to congratulate students on their accomplishments and meet the families who have supported them.