

Forestry Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, September 20, 2013

Richardson Hall 115

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

NOTES

Attending: John Bliss, Paul Doescher, Zak Hansen, Kathy Howell, Geoff Huntington, Jim Johnson, Brent Klumph, Ann Mary Quarandillo, Marv Pyle (for Claire Montgomery), Robin Rose, Randy Rosenberger, Laurie Schimleck

Guests: Hailey Buckingham, Jessica Fontaine, Joey Hulbert, Michele Justice, Alison Wade

Absences: Roger Admiral, Lisa Ganio (for Jo Albers), Thomas Maness, Claire Montgomery, Jeff Morrell, Randy Rosenberger

Notes by Nathalie Gitt

Agenda Review and Suggestions for Additional Items – Geoff Huntington

- **Architects Meeting Updates** – Geoff reported on the meeting with the architects that was held on September 11-12, on campus. The purpose of the meeting was to get a recommendation for transforming Peavy Hall into a dynamic, innovative, built learning environment for faculty, students, and alumni. The ideas generated from the meeting will help frame a presentation that the Dean will take to the Board of Visitors in November to gauge interest. ***The FEC suggested having some of the materials and drawings on display at the October 11 All-College meeting.***
- **Thoughts from the Dean** – Thomas plans to send a monthly all-college message to let everyone know what is on his mind about ongoing events and initiatives that matter to the College and he will welcome thoughts and ideas for improvements.
- **Update on the O&C Bill** – Geoff and Ann Mary Quarandillo will be developing some talking points for context to use as a general university messaging for when the bill comes public. ***Geoff will circulate to FEC when ready. Press inquiries should be directed to Ann Mary.***
- **2014 College of Forestry Graduate Winter Social, Saturday, January 18** – Joey Hulbert *Save the date!*
- **Follow-up Conversation on Jointly Produced and Hosted Journal of Student Research** – ***Helene Serewis will follow-up with Graduate Student Council students to schedule a meeting with the interested party.***
- **Upcoming Events Participation and attendance** – University Day faculty attendance was very low this year. ***A follow-up discussion will be scheduled on FEC/Faculty participation. Ideas are welcome and need to be directed to Geoff Huntington. Geoff plans to circulate a list of the College yearly events for the FEC to rank the importance.***

• **FNR Annual Planning Meeting** – Jim Johnson routed the announcement for the Forestry &

Natural Resources Extension Program annual planning meeting that will be held on campus this year, October 2-4, 2013. The open house will be held on October 2 in Richardson Hall that will be followed by a reception. Brochures and posters will be distributed college wide. All are invited! Graduate students are especially welcome!

The first half of the session will be devoted to a mini-training on the use of logic models. The Second part of the program is geared toward explaining some key partnerships between COF faculty and Extension faculty regarding teaching, research, and international programs. FEC members were asked to RSVP for the October 2nd dinner at the Adair Village. FEC and faculty are encouraged to attend the Planning meeting October 3 – 4.

Discussion of Draft International Studies Strategic Work Plan – John Bliss led a discussion of draft direction and proposed commitments for the College's work to grow international studies program over the next two to five years. John passed around copies of the current draft of his working strategic plan at the meeting. John went over why this strategic plan is a priority for the College and what he proposed to do. FEC provided the following comments and recommendations:

- Use IPAC to vet MOUs;
- Develop long term partnership and many fewer of them in which the College really invests;
- Work on the expectation of international engagement in the position descriptions;
- Strengthen language of commitment;
- Do a problem analyses not a needs analysis for any new degree program;
- Do a better job with tracking;
- Language support for any new program;
- Identify new obstacles – why are our students not able to have participation rates?
- Develop partnerships that supports students 'engagement;
- Offer semester abroad with curriculum leading to on time graduation;
- How the College is going to support all this and think about where are our sources of revenues?
- Fall quarter of FE senior year is open.

John Bliss will report back to the FEC on the next iteration of the proposal. Date to be announced.

Discussion of Draft FEC Charter – Geoff Huntington will lead a discussion centered on the re-crafting of a FEC Charter based on comments and discussion at the August retreat. ***This agenda item has been postponed and will be discussed at the September 27 FEC Mtg.***

Office of Research Administrative Update – Steve Tesch announced Jeffrie Husband's official retirement date to be scheduled for December 31st. Steve asked for FEC's input on revising Jeffrie' s position. Sandi Larsen, Grants Coordinator for the College of Forestry, started her new position in the Research office.

Steve will follow-up with the Department Heads for input. FEC suggested a brown bag lunch meeting with the faculty.

Steve Tesch and the FEC thanked Kathy Howell for leading the effort for bringing together a comprehensive database for the College and an interface with other people across campus.

Meeting Handouts

Agenda

FNR Annual Planning Meeting and Open House Poster and Brochure – Jim Johnson
Priority #4: Internationalize the College of Forestry Revised 09-23-13 – John Bliss