Faculty Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2017 1:00pm
Room # 3080 SFS


Absences: Nancy Frank, Rebecca Klaper

Invited: Mallory Kaul, Eric Leaf, Margret Petrie

I. Call to order 1:07pm

II. Adoption/Modification of Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes
   • November 13, 2017 faculty minutes, approval deferred to November meeting

IV. Committee action/discussion items
   • Freshwater University Update (Val Klump)
     o Val provided an update on the UW System Freshwater University initiative. He will send a draft document to the full faculty before December 25, 2017 and schedule a meeting to discuss the document by early January 2018. The faculty suggested adding graduate placements information.
   • Undergraduate Curriculum Update (Jim Waples)
     o The faculty agree that more information is needed at the Program, Government, and Research Committee level before the document comes to the full faculty for discussion. A full day working group was recommended. As charge of this initiative, Jerry Kaster should copy the full faculty when scheduling group meetings.
   • Academic Program and Curriculum Committee, APCC (Jim Waples)
     o APCC met on December 1, 2017.
     o Michael moved to go into closed session. Carmen seconded; motion passed unanimously.
     o Michael moved to return to open session. Jenny seconded; motion passed unanimously.
     o Discussion regarding the Alverno 3+2 agreement will be tabled until the January meeting.
     o Harvey is waiting for the BioSci department’s approval before moving forward with a proposed 3+2 agreement.
   • Planning, Governance, and Research Committee, PGR (Michael Carvan)
     o The PGR Committee met on November 16, 2017 and December 6, 2017.
     o Working Group Updates
       ▪ Undergraduate curriculum – PGR reviewed a working document that requires more revisions.
• Freshwater University – Val and Eric are finalizing a document to be shared with the interested UW campuses.
• Summer curriculum – There are 2 field courses and 2 workshops planned for summer 2018. Field course information needs to be sent to Mallory immediately for scheduling.
• Aquaculture – There is interest in a new track for the certificate.
• Budget – Nina Ottman presented a working documents that needs to be finalized by the workgroup.
  o Colloquium – Speaker suggestions need to be sent to Michael and Sandra for the spring 2018 colloquium schedule.
  o External Advisory Committee – PGR requests suggestions of potential committee members by the end of December. They request academics, thought and business leaders, and people who are well connected and well recognized that will take a stake in the School’s future.
  o PGR is finalizing the incorporation of changes to the workload policy and will bring a final document to the January 2018 faculty meeting.

V. Old business
• None

VI. New business
• Nature Master Class
  o The Nature Editor is coming to SFS and giving a two-day class on publishing on February 8, 2018 and February 9, 2018 in GLRF 3080. Faculty should contact Sandra if they’re interested in attending and bring an abstract with them that’s close to publishing.
• Marketing
  o Eric and Margret hired Susie Seidelman and her company to maximize SOE and use Facebook to increase recruitment. Susie is working closely with University Relations too.
• Limnology course
  o BioSci has asked if any SFS faculty are interested in teaching a Limnology course. The course was already developed by Harvey.

VII. Announcements and reminders
• Human Resources Report – sent via e-mail from Nina Ottman.
• Academic Office Reminders
  o Fall 2018 course scheduling has begun. Mallory will reach out to faculty teaching required courses before opening scheduling for seminars, practicum, and special topic courses. All information must be approved as submitted to the Registrar’s Office by February 9, 2018.
  o Please remind students to complete the course evaluations for fall 2017 courses by Friday, December 15, 2017.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 3:11 pm.