

Forestry Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, October 25, 2013

Richardson Hall 107

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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Attending: Roger Admiral, John Bliss, Paul Doescher, Lisa Ganio, Zak Hansen, Kathy Howell, Geoff Huntington, Brent Klumph, Ann Mary Quarandillo, Claire Montgomery, Jeff Morrell, Randy Rosenberger, Laurie Schimleck, Steve Tesch

Guests: Dave Hibbs, Max Taylor, Steve Strauss, Marv Pyles, Robin Rose

Absences: Jim Johnson and Jeff Morrell

Notes by Nathalie Gitt

Agenda Review and Suggestions for Additional Items

- **Update on Wyden's Legislation**
Due to the Federal shutdown, Geoff Huntington will be sending the talking points in the next couple of weeks.
- **College of Forestry Tailgater Celebration Update**
Ann Mary Quarandillo gave an update on the upcoming October 26 CoF Tailgater at the Reser Stadium parking lot. Over 200 participants have RSVP'ed. This event is hosted by College of Forestry alumni Joe Newton '07, Jennifer Beathe '98, Ron Stuntzner '64 and Mike Newton '59. Many CoF alumni, faculty, and staff will be attending this celebration.

Update and Conversation with the Dean

- **Wrap-up All-College Meeting**
Thomas wants to move forward with the Institute for Working Forest Landscapes proposal to get it ready to present at the November 15 FRL AC meeting. Thomas received several edits from the faculty. He will revise the proposal and send another draft. FEC discussed the acceptance of the plan. Everyone gave feedback on the Fall All-College meeting format and the context for the discussions and felt that this was a good, thought stimulating, meeting with a good turn-out. FEC discussed how to continue engaging all sectors of our college community. It was suggested to have more frequent smaller group meetings in addition to the twice a year All-College meetings and have again a discussion around College mission.

Next Step: Develop College mission statements and values. Schedule small groups 2-hours follow-up meetings in winter term to discuss top issues.
- **Update on the FES Department Head Search**
The deadline for the FES Department Head candidate application submission is November 15. The Search Committee will identify the top 4 candidates shortly after that. The Dean plans to attend upcoming department meetings to answer any questions about the process. Laurie

Schimleck, Chair of the Search Committee gave an update.

- **College Budget Update**

Thomas Maness discussed the upcoming changes relative to the College budgeting. The College will be moving forward to a performance based budgeting model.

- **College Forest Director Position**

Thomas gave an update on the new College Forest Director position that he and Jim Johnson have developed and reported on the interests he received for the position so far. This new position is a blend of an extension specialist and College Forests director who will have faculty oversight. Thomas reported on the external review that Mark Miller and Matt Fehrenbacher of Trout Mountain Forestry conducted on the McDonald Dunn Forest. The goals of this external review are to inform the College of the history, current status and opportunities associated with McDonald Dunn Forest and provide a common starting point for an eventual update of the McDonald Dunn Forest Plan.

The report will be presented at the November 8 FEC meeting. Thomas discussed the College Forests budget and his expectations. Further discussion will be needed on how to manage the College Forests for demonstration, research, and education.

ABET Accreditation

Marv Pyles provided an update on the accreditation process and time line. The ABET accreditation was originated in 1935. The last visit was in the fall 2008. The next visit is scheduled in the Fall of 2014. ***Information Only.***

FEC Featured Topic - Working Forest Landscapes: Overcoming Negative Connotations & Traditional Perspectives

Martin Goebel was our 2013 College of Forestry Alumni Fellow honoree. He was invited to a College open round table discussion on the proposed framing for a COF research institute as an "Institute for Working Forest Landscapes" and the messages that sends to stakeholders inside and outside the College. Martin is the founder of Sustainable Northwest. ***Informational Only.***

Meeting Handout

Agenda