

**FEC Meeting Notes
Friday, November 2, 2012
Richardson Hall 115
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

1) Meeting Attendance

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

Guest: Lech Muszynski

**2) Agenda Review and Suggestions for Additional Items
Review of Meeting Notes– Steve Tesch**

- **College of Forestry P&T Committee Update – Steve Tesch**
The College P&T Committee met on November 1 to kick-off this year's calendar. There are no cases from FERM. All the cases are FRA to SFRA. No decision will leave the College. Jo Albers was elected the Chair of the College P&T Committee for this year. This committee continues to push receiving the dossiers from departments earlier.
The recommendation is for DHs have completed dossiers to the Dean's office by the Friday before Thanksgiving for next year. The Department Heads discussed a P&T College calendar. Thomas will send a copy of the FERM calendar.

- **Space Process and Opportunities – Claire Montgomery**
Claire Montgomery discuss the need for sharing lab teaching space between WSE, FERM, and FES Departments. FEC discussed the need to reappoint a faculty at large space committee.
Follow-up required – the Department Heads will make recommendations for a space committee and will bring this topic back to FEC.

Steve Tesch has been collecting input from each department about the Oak Creek space. Steve and Roger Admiral met with Rick Spinrad to discuss space issues and to prepare some options for negotiation with Brian Thorsness for their first meeting scheduled on November 12.

The Forestry Executive Committee reviewed the October 19, 2012 FEC meeting notes. Members are to follow-up with Nathalie Gitt to ensure that decisions are recorded.

3) Updates and Conversation with the Dean – Thomas Maness

- **Reorganization of the Dean's Office**
Dean Maness sent out the description of the new Associate Deans positions to the College. He received many responses and lots of positive feedback. The Provost was supportive for the College to move forward. The Dean opened the floor for FEC's comments.
- **Concept of the Working Forest Institute**
Dean Maness is building funding support for the Working Forest Institute idea and he is working on a strategy to get this concept on a legislative bill. FEC discussed College alignment on this key priority. Thomas is meeting with various conservation organizations to get their interest.
Follow-up Action Required – John Mann and Geoff Huntington will meet to develop a prospectus that will contain the key elements.
- **Sweet Home Project**
Thomas is the co-convenor on a collaborative project in Sweet Home. The project is to create a community forest along the South Santiam corridor. This project is tied to the healthy landscapes approach of the College. There will be some informational seminars for students and faculty to learn about the project.
For information
- **NAUFRP Meeting and SAF Convention**
Paul Doescher reported on the recommendations from the accreditation meeting he attended in Spokane for an accreditation process for Natural Resources Conservation Programs. The next external review for OSU is in 2014.
Thomas reported on the SAF Convention meeting. The College of Forestry team was in the Quiz Bowl final. The SUNNY team won this year. The Forestry Extension brought home couple awards home: Ties to the Land program and Steve Fitzgerald received the Technology Transfer national SAF award.
In the Western Region NAUFRP meeting, all the western schools decided to take up this idea of community and public lands.
For information
- **Forestry Education Council**
The Forestry Education Council is a five members council which will advise President Ray on Forestry education programs. Thomas Maness shared names that OFIC will recommend to President Ray for the Council membership. Members will rotate every 3 years. Three of the members should be from industries and landowners. Dean Maness is in negotiation with OFIC about names for the other two members. The FEC members took this opportunity to share their input and opinions. The Dean is the convenor of the group and the ex-officio.

This is an ongoing discussion and will require follow-up with OFIC.

- 4) **Brief Check-in on Board of Visitors Meeting** – Geoff Huntington
Dean Maness asked the FEC to think about 3-5 new members from conservation organizations to join the Board of Visitors. The Board is currently composed of 19 members.

Geoff Huntington facilitated the Board of Visitors meeting and went through the structure, goals, and objectives of the meeting with the Forestry Executive committee. Ten members attended the board meeting.

- 5) **FES Undergraduate Program Development** – Paul Doescher and Randy Rosenberger

Paul Doescher and Randy Rosenberger gave a status report on an initial conversation to conceptualize a FES undergraduate program. Dean Maness made some recommendations.

Follow-up required - Paul Doescher and Claire Montgomery will schedule further discussion about this program development opportunity. Dean Maness will send a request to withdraw the Category 1 proposal to suspend the Recreation Resources Management undergraduate program.

- 6) **RERF Proposals for Approval** – Steve Tesch

FEC reviewed the four RERF proposals from:

- Scott Leavengood - Title: CNC router
- Christopher Still - Title: Strategic Earth Atmosphere Laboratory
- Michael Wing - Title: Remote Sensing Unmanned Aerial System
- Glenn Howe - Title: BioRad GelDoc EZ

Decision

The FEC was supportive to provide the proposed match on all four RERF proposals.

- 7) **NSF MRI Matching Fund Request** – Laurie Schimleck

FEC reviewed the NSF proposal for a major piece of equipment match request. Lech Muszynski was invited to provide information on the use of this equipment and answer questions.

Decision

The FEC agreed to support Lech Muszynski's request for a match of \$25,000 from the College of Forestry.

- 8) **Others**

- **L.L. Stewart Faculty Program Call for Nominations** - Steve Tesch

Faculty are encouraged to apply.
Nomination deadline: December 31, 2012.

9) Meeting Handout Materials

- 11-02-12 FEC Meeting Agenda
- 10-19-12 FEC Meeting Notes

Notes prepared by Nathalie Gitt.