



Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology
Minutes for Department Meeting
December 3, 2012

Present: Allison, Berkelman, Bowe, Carpenter, Drake, Gunther, Karasov, Kirby, Kruger, Lorimer, Lutz, Miron, Mladenoff, Moore, Pauli, Peery, Pidgeon, Radeloff, Rickenbach, Rodock, Samuel, Timme, Webster, Zuckerberg

Absent: Gower, Langston, Ozdogan, Ribic, Rissman, Townsend, VanDeelen

Bill Karasov (Chair) called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm in 216 Russell Labs.

Approval of Minutes

Drake (Lutz) moved to approve the minutes of the meeting on November 5, 2012. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

Reports and Announcements

Timme: WRS statements are now available under MyUW on the web.

Webster: Notify her and Sheila of any students who are new or are leaving. See Margaret for information on documentation needed to cover payment for journal page charges.

Rodock: Some changes are being made to Biology 151/152. See Sara for details. Also, let her know if a student is taking a break between taking 151 and 152.

Gunther: Tumblr virus is going around; keep JavaScript as well as other software up to date.

Moore: The server room was recently flooded. An alarm sounded and no damage was done.

Old Business

CALS All College Meeting: An all College meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 18, 3:30-5:00 pm in Varsity Hall, Union South. Dean VandenBosch will provide a CALS update.

Faculty Senate (Bowe/Drake): Faculty Senate will vote on the HR redesign on Dec. 3.

Motion: Faculty members of the Dept. of Forest and Wildlife Ecology support the current version of the HR Design Strategic Plan framework (Drake/Bowe). Motion carried by voice vote with two abstentions.

Departmental self-study (Karasov/Rodock/Freehill): The self-study is on track to be completed by the Feb. 1 target date.

Funding Opportunities for Educational Innovation (Karasov): Karasov shared information presented at the last CALS chairs meeting. Funds will be available in three general areas: sabbatical support, changes to summer courses, and developing new programs/activities.

Hatch and McIntire-Stennis Capital Exercise. Karasov announced that CALS Research Division has released a call for proposals for its annual McIntire-Stennis capital exercise (<http://www.cals.wisc.edu/waes/capex.html>). Requests must be submitted to Karasov by Dec. 14. They are due at CALS by Jan. 4, 2013.

New Business:

Remodel of Room 104 (Karasov): Karasov presented a diagram of the proposed remodel for Room 104. The desks will be movable and the room orientation will be flipped so that the entrance will be at the back of the room. Capacity will likely be less than the current 63. Karasov will share the remodel design at the next Hub meeting.

Change in number for cross-listed course: Kruger announced that the Forestry Undergraduate Curriculum Committee has approved a change in the course number for Environmental Studies from 375 to 371. This course is cross-listed in FWE and is an option for Forestry undergraduate students. No further action was required by the faculty.

Adjourn:

Rickenbach (Radeloff) moved to adjourn at 1:43 pm.