



Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology
Minutes for Department Meeting
November 5, 2012

Present: Berkelman, Bowe, Drake, Freehill, Gower, Karasov, Kirby, Kruger, Lorimer, Miron, Mladenoff, Nack, Pauli, Peery, Pidgeon, Radeloff, Ribic, Rickenbach, Rissman, Sabo, Timme, Townsend, VanDeelen, Webster, Zuckerberg

Absent: Langston, Lutz, Ozdogan, Samuel

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

Approval of Minutes

Drake (Pidgeon) moved to approve the minutes of the meeting on October 1, 2012. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Reports and Announcements

Timme: Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, all payroll approvals should be made by Nov. 13. Timme and Webster will be meeting with individual faculty members to go over funded project commitments and what expenditures are allowed.

Webster: Emails have been sent to persons who must submit a receipt for a Hatch purchase. A short justification should be included with the receipt.

Old Business

CALS Strategic Plan (Rickenbach): CALS Dean Kate VandenBosch initiated the strategic planning exercise to determine CALS' strengths and the direction the college is going. The Committee welcomes input from stakeholders. Suggestions for names of individual and agency stakeholders would be appreciated.

Faculty Senate (Drake): The last meeting of the Faculty Senate focused on the update of HR plan, which becomes effective July 1, 2013. The Faculty Senate voted to postpone approval of the updated HR plan.

Departmental self-study (Karasov, Freehill): Freehill passed out a brief description of each faculty member to review and suggest corrections/changes. These will be included in the self-study document. Karasov requested suggestions for department review team members from other departments on campus and/or off campus. A number of names were suggested. Karasov and

Rickenbach will make the final selection. Others are welcome to join them in making the selection.

CALS Building Projects: Karasov announced that two building projects on the CALS campus are awaiting legislative budget approval: Meat and Muscle Biology Lab and Babcock Dairy Plant. The Russell Labs HVAC renovation is not yet finalized.

New Business:

Approval of FWE 557: Kruger presented information about Townsend's new course proposal for FWE 557 Remote Sensing of Ecosystems.

Motion: Gower (Rickenbach) moved to approve the application for FWE 557 Remote Sensing of Ecosystems. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Cost returns: Karasov has figures for indirect cost returns from the last fiscal year. An amount of not more than \$20,000 goes into the department's fund pool, and the rest is prorated to PIs. He will be contacting PIs with the amount of their cost return.

TA Requests: Karasov presented a table showing which courses previously had TA's. Proposals for TA's are due to the Chair by Nov. 13 and to CALS by Nov. 20.

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.

Adjourn:

Drake (VanDeelen) moved to adjourn at 1:50 pm.