

**State University of New York
College of Environmental Science and Forestry**

**Meeting of the Faculty
November 29, 2001**

Attendance: L. Abrahamson, D. Allen, T. Amidon, S. Anagnost, M. Bennett, W. Bentley, E. Bevilacqua, P. Black, R. Blaskiewicz, G. Boyer, R. Brock, A. Chatterjee, G. Colella, D. Daley, M.E. Deming, T. Dibble, M. Driscoll, E. Elkins, J. Ellis, T. Endreny, M. Fellows, M. Fenessy, T. Fletcher, R. Frey, R. Hanna, James Hassett, John Hassett, R. Hawks, P. Hopkins, E. Irvin, I. Ivanov, G. Kyanka, R. LaLonde, A. Lewis, M. Lomolino, V. Luzadis, P. Manion, M. Meisner, M. Mitchell, D. Muller-Schwarze, C. Murphy, J. Nakas, W. Powell, L. Quackenbush, D. Raynal, N. Ringler, R. Schuster, G. Scott, S. Shannon, H. Shaw, W. Shields, R. Smardon, L. Smart, J. Smith, W. Smith, C. Spuches, A. Stipanovic, W. Tully, J. S. Turner, J. Wagner, J. Wasiel, C. Webb, R. Whaley, E. White, J. White, L. Zhang.

I. Call to Order and Agenda Review

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. in 5 Illick Hall by Executive Chair Scott Shannon.

II. Review of Meeting Minutes

There were no modifications of the minutes of the College Faculty meeting of October 25, 2001.

III. Report of the President - Dr. Neil Murphy

Dr. Murphy used a Powerpoint presentation (attached) to report on the following items. He discussed recent awards to faculty and staff, government relations activities, visibility initiatives, recruitment/admission activities, ESF strategic planning summary, proposed BS in environmental science, and accessory instruction challenges.

IV. Report of the Executive Committee - Professor Scott Shannon

Professor Shannon announced that the committee was seeking nominations for Honorary Degree recipients and that full information on these nominations would be distributed soon. The basic structure for nominating ESF Honorary Degree candidates includes the Executive Committee to serve as the nomination committee for presentation to ESF and the SUNY Boards of Trustees. Nominations will be widely solicited from the campus community and alumni. The President and staff will prepare the final nomination materials for the August deadline (for degrees to be awarded the following May).

The second item of business was the proposal to consider expanding our voting faculty to include the two new Associate Dean positions. Questions include whether to consider the individuals or the positions, and if other positions should also have voting privileges.

V. Standing Committee Reports

Committee on Instruction - Dr. Gary Scott

The committee put forth a motion to accept the EST 200, Cultural Ecology, course proposal as presented on the COI web site (eww.esf.edu/coi/) (and attached). The motion carried.

A second motion was made to accept FCH 210, Elements of Organic Chemistry, course proposal

as presented on the COI web site (and attached). A friendly amendment from the EFB faculty (see attached), was accepted, and the motion, as amended carried.

VI. Report from SUNY Senator - Dr. Mark Driscoll

Dr. Driscoll reported on budget ramifications of the September 11 terrorist attack. He mentioned that assessment will continue to receive a great deal of attention, and that there are continual discussions about tuition costs. Dr. Driscoll now serves on the SUNY Senate Graduate and Research Committee, which has the following agenda: to determine the impact of funding sources on the quality of research, implement a mentor program, promote effective grant writing, and to do new faculty orientation.

VII. New Business

New Faculty Introductions - Dr. Richard Hawks

Dr. Hawks welcomed Dr. Maria Ignatieva to the faculty of Landscape Architecture, and Dr. Glenn Stewart who is working with Dr. Ruth Yanai in Forestry.

Friends of Moon Library

A reception for ESF book authors is scheduled for December 13, 2-3:30 .

The meeting was adjourned at 4:17pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie A. Luzadis
Secretary