



State University of New York
College of Environmental Science and Forestry

College Wide Governance Meeting

January 21st, 2015
Wednesday
College Hour 12:45-1:50 PM
Gateway Building A & B

AGENDA

1. **Opening Remarks/Minutes/Announcements** (Donaghy)
2. **Procedure for Making Policy** (Donaghy)
3. **IQAS Report** (Donaghy)
4. **Student Life** (Blair)
 - i. **Alcohol Policy**
 - ii. **Title IX**
5. **Committee on Curriculum Announcements** (Daley)
6. **Other announcements**

Next College-Wide Meeting:
February 18, 2015 at 12:45 PM in Gateway A&B

Faculty Governance Meeting
12/11/14

Paul Hirsch, Dawnelle Jager, Jack Manno, Andrea Parker, Richard Smardon, Jonathan Cohen, Martin Dovciak, Jacqui Frair, Greg McGee, Lee Newman, Bill Powell, Scott Turner, Scott Blair, Laura Crandall, Mary Triano, Stacy McNulty, Greg Boyer, Paul Caluwe, Ted Dibble, Ivan Gitsov, Paul Otteson, Bob Meyer, Ken Tiss, Doug Daley, Ted Endreny, Mary Thompson, Phillipe Vidon, Tim Volk, Scott Shannon, Robin Hoffman, Doug Johnston, Tim Tolan, Richard Hawks, Jessica Clemons, Jo Anne Ellis, Ruth Owens, Steve Weiter, Kaus Dolle, Gary Scott, Scott Bergey, PJ Connell, Karaline Rothwell, Bob French, Tom LeRoy

Kelley introduction... Dr. Wheeler can not be here. Conveyed Presidential updates:

ARB – land swap with SU for building site ended – losing lots of \$ every month. We are now looking at placing it adjacent to Illick Hall (south or east of the building). Block D will be available for other uses (e.g., residences).

In negotiation with SU about shared services – we are looking to retain as much as possible while decreasing our costs.

Visioning - BB will host session Jan 8 on UG experience. They are summarizing a second draft of the visioning statement. Will pull together a strategic plan in March.

Kelley – we need to actively engage in this visioning process! If we don't participate, then we are not taking advantage of having a voice. This is an opportunity for us to engage.

Kelley - IQAS update: They are looking at assessment and data provided by faculty. They will pull together a document for feedback. It has to be done by the end of Jan.

Doug - COC: Approved Plant Propagation as a course (Terry Ettinger)

Mid Feb deadline for course submissions/revisions.

Seamless transfer is coming down the pipe and we need to be ready.

Will be posting things to the COC website – contact him or Barbara Newman for guidance.

They are updating the process, so proactively contact them up front – the more they help you up front, the less work it will be for everyone if they guide you.

Minors requests are increasing – students are asking to transfer courses from other institutions to satisfy minors – we need to have a conversation about this.

Proliferation of Areas of Study in Graduate Programs – causing confusion. There are implied coursework necessary for these that are not being conveyed to the students.

Meeting minutes accepted.

Bob Malmsheimer – P&T: Must be reviewed with an eye to revision every 3 yrs. They've been reviewed for inconsistencies and conflicts as well as an eye to logic and flow. Meetings were held and input received – most was dedicated to asking/answering questions and airing of concerns. Bob and Bruce have worked together closely and now have a new set of P&T standards. The Provost and President have accepted these new standards and will go into effect March 31st. They will cover P&T processes initiated after that date. New standards address problems present in old standards and all feel these are more readable and usable – they make clearer expectations and process. Bob will send out a copy of the revised standards on Monday, as well as documenting the changes. All DRC committee members will

be required to attend a meeting with the campus P&T to clarify the process. They will also meet with faculty going up for P&T. These meetings will be held yearly. This document is very much like the one presented last spring with minor updates to grammar – with the exception of a taking out the explicit documentation of authorship contribution to multiple author publications.

Scott Blair (Student Life):

December Convocation... push back time, cancel classes or not have one?

Noise resolution was based on SU policy in place, but this was dropped as it doesn't seem to be of much concern on ESF's campus.

Chief Diversity Officer – they are still working on this.

Alcohol policy changes are in progress – we were not in compliance with NYS law. Dean

Lombard will provide a formal overview of these changes in the spring.

Student Handbook changes – these are coming, mostly cleaning up the wording and clarifying wording.

SUNY Chancellor's Award for student were reviewed – strong ones.

Enrollment growth – what does this mean? Some rooms are at capacity – what will we do?

Meetings are always open – please contact him if you want to come.

Conversation on December Convocation

Melissa – Can we push back the time?

Tim Toland - Last studio on Friday ends at 5:00

Doug – thinks with small cohorts, it would be better to have them walk with May graduates.

Steve Weiter (Library) –Elsevier (evil bastards in the Netherlands) negotiations have been drawn out and traumatic, but just yesterday, it seems that it may go through – a 5 yr contract for \$44 million (9.4 million/yr – \$64 million total spent on library costs) for access across SUNY. So, it looks like we will not lose access. Doctoral universities are paying the bulk of this.

Kelley: Administration and FG are working on a document to guide us on how policy gets made (Charlie's clause), both from the faculty level and by the administration. We also need a website where we can go to look for policies that guide our actions here at ESF.

Jessica Clemmons - Spotlight on student research will be Wed April 15 & 16th. She will be looking for volunteers.

Graduate student – Policy will go back to the Graduate Council and they are talking about it in a meeting today.

FG EC is working on updated the FG Bylaws and separating out Standing Rules so they can be changed more easily. Also, looking to make them more inclusive.

Mentoring conference usurped by the Visioning Process – we are hoping to develop a gathering to come together to offer an opportunity to come together and talk – it likely will be combined with a CID grant and so we have funds to bring in outside speakers.