Academic Governance

College-wide Meeting  Feb 26 2019
Agenda

• Welcome / Call to Order
• Approval of Jan ’19 minutes
• News & Updates
• President’s Remarks
• Committee Reports & Actions
• Old & New Business

Silviculture lab @ Ranger School 11 Feb 2019
News & Updates
American Society of Landscape Architects

ASLA honors ESF faculty

Anne Godfrey
Assistant Professor
Distinguished Practitioner Award

Richard Hawks
Distinguished Service Professor, Emeritus
Lifetime Achievement Award
ESF wins Barkeater Cup

Defeats Paul Smith’s College 77-74 (OT)
Spring 2019 Outlook

• AG officer nominations & elections

• College Policy process: AG consultation role & responsibilities

• Consult on new campus-wide GA allocation proposal

• Campus Open Access Policies & System Repository (SUNY-wide)

• Bylaws updates: establishing a standing order of business

• Review of General Education Division
Spring 2019 Elections

We are **NOW** accepting nominations for:

**University Faculty Senator** alternate (two year term)
- when Senator is unavailable:
  - represents ESF at SUNY Faculty Senate plenary 2-3 times each year
  - shares Faculty Senate resolutions with ESF community, fields questions, seeks constituent input, and votes on SUNY-wide resolutions

**Executive Chair** (two year term)
- Recognized by SUNY and serves as ESF’s *Campus Governance Leader*
- Organizes, presides over AG College-wide & Executive Committee meetings (each once per month during AY)
- Leads AG consultation efforts with ESF Administration
- Can be anywhere from 2-10 hrs/wk on average (25% admin service)
Spring 2019 Elections

Submit nominations at: www.esf.edu/acadgov/election
...or by email: acadgov@esf.edu

• Please talk with potential nominees BEFORE nominating them
• We will reach out to nominees to get their approval / disapproval
• We will not publish nominations until nominees approve them

This year’s elections involve AG leadership positions that make a positive difference for ESF in many ways. PLEASE STEP UP & SERVE!
President Amberg’s Remarks
Academic Governance Meeting

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Mighty Oaks Basketball Team Defeats Paul Smith’s in the BarkEater Challenge
The Importance of Trash Talk

Dear President Doe,

I decided some fine anti-tank fire for you to evaluate over the coming year of pruning disinformation over the idea of the East Enfer Cur. Also, all offers will be acceptable for funding a club of the Mighty Oaks Basketball Team. See you next year.

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President’s Report

David C. Amberg

Natural Solutions to environmental challenges
**Interim Provost Search**

» **Search Committee:**
- David Amberg
- Mark Lichtenstein
- Joanie Mahoney
- Colin Beier
- Russ Briggs
- Sue Nevins

» **Committee Reviewed:**
- Interviewed the candidates
- Reviewed community feedback
- Videos
- Written materials and CVs
- Relative strengths and weaknesses

» Came to a unanimous decision
David Newman, Professor of Forest Resource Economics and Policy

- PhD in Forest Resource Economics from Duke University; BS in Forest Management from UC Berkeley
- Spent 19 years at the University of Georgia before coming to ESF, serving the final years as Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources.
- Came to ESF in 2007, serving as Professor and Chair of FNRM until this past year.
- Research focus on the impact of public policies, particularly taxation, on forestland owners
- Current external activities - President of the National Association of Forest Resource Programs, Chair of the New York chapter of the Society of American Foresters, President of the ESF Chapter of UUP, and Board Member of the NY Forest Owners Association.
Dr. Melissa Fierke, Associate Professor of EFB

New Chair of Environmental and Forest Biology

- Associate Professor, Forest Entomology
- Associate Chair of EFB 2017, 2018
- Director and Academic Program Coordinator, Cranberry Lake Biological Station 2016, 2017, 2018
- Executive Chair, Academic Governance 2018
- Secretary, Academic Governance 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
- 2014 President’s Award for Community Service
- 2013 Distinguished Teacher Award (USA)
- 2013 President’s Award for Community Service
- Founder (2012) and co-Chair of ESF’s Bike Safety Committee
- Chair, Academic Governance Outreach Committee 2011, 2012
Discovery Challenge Update

» Discovery Group: Co-chaired by Dr. Christopher Nomura, Dr. Donald Leopold, Dr. Timothy Volk

» Charge: Identify 3-5 cross-cutting initiatives that engage faculty and students across the campus, that leverage our strengths but are forward looking in addressing regional and global challenges and impact our mission of research, education, and outreach.

» System will fund each area with up to $200,000/yr for three years.

» Committee recommended four for funding and three others for me to chose one from for funding.

» Final decisions will be presented at the Board of Trustees meeting this Friday.
The Importance of Being Present and Engaging
Run Down of Ongoing Initiatives

» Discovery Challenge
» Mission adjustment
» Excellence Fee
» Out of state tuition increase
» Sustainable enrollment growth through targeted recruiting
» New marketing and branding strategy/web rethink
» Business plan for the northern properties
» Siting and design of the OLSC
» Acquisition of Honeywell properties
» Clean tech consortium with Clarkson University
» Surge space plan for LA and ES, programming for Marshall
» First Year Experience Task Force
» Faculty First survey

» Management of quality internship experiences
» SU contract
» 3+3 Law Degree program with SU
» Space Plan
» Facilities and Capital Plan
» OCC Affiliation
» Focus on veterans
» DEC Recycling plan
» Puerto Rico
» Graduate program redesign with competitive stipends
» Sustainable energy management plan; carbon negative in 2019
» New BoT members, full board
Questions?
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Committee Reports
IQAS

Workshop to introduce new course evaluation platform

March 12, 2019 – 10:00-12:00

Will also be live streamed and recorded for later viewing
Committee on Curriculum

Curriculum Changes:

• Natural Resource Management (minor revision)
• Env. and Natural Resources Conservation Program (minor revision)
• Forest Technology Program (minor revision)
• Land Surveying Tech Program (minor revision)
Old & New Business