# **Department Faculty Meeting**

**February 23, 2016**

**Noon – 1:20 Gould 208J**

# **Agenda items**

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| 12:00 — 12:05 | **Vote:** To approve 1/26/16 minutes | Campbell |
| 12:05 — 12:20 | **Discussion:** Research in CBE | Alberti |
| 12:20 — 12:35 | **Vote:** URDP Faculty Senate representative | Campbell |
| 12:35 — 12:40 | **Update:** Curriculum Committee & Minor update | Abramson/Hostetler |
| 12:40 — 12:50 | **Update:** Diversity Plan | Born |
| 12:50 — 1:00 | **Update:** Real Estate | Dermisi |
| 1:00 — 1:10 | **Update:** MUP recruitment/Other | Campbell/Others |

## **Additional information**

Christopher Campbell, Larissa Maziak, Marina Alberti, Rachel, Berney Kelly Hostetler, Sofia Dermisi, , Diana Siembor, Bob Mugerauer, Himanshu Grover, Branden Born, Dan Abramson, Christopher, Jan, Marty

PSA Reps: Michelle Yellin, Ariandne Brancatpo

**Research in CBE:**

There have been opportunities to learn what research is shared in the college and how we can find common ground. There are important differences within in the college.

What are the needs of the departments within the college?

What are your research interests and what support would you like to see from the Deans office?

* Work that engages communities
* Meeting more with the people in the college who are working in Latin America
* Built environment quality
* Transportation opportunity
* Evidence based design work
* Theme based workshop to get specific funding opportunities. College of the Environment does these workshops to help work collaboratively to get funding around specific themes
* Water and wastewater issues
* Energy
* EPA and DHS
* Need to find sources…possible grant sources *Marina…there is a website now that has a list of all the grants that are available and that are relevant to the college*
* What is it like to teach abroad…international
* It would be nice to have deadlines that are farther out…6 to 8 months down the line
* Environment and social justice, civil society and the state…These are topics that we are not seeing in the college.
* Getting agreements and understanding about publications…what constitutes a publication. There is a huge discrepancy about what a publication means. For example…a product of a studio might be listed on someone’s vitae as a book, when that is not the case. We need, as a college, to have a clearer understanding.
* Sustainable city. Where University works with the city. U of O has been doing it for 5 years. Office of sustainability has caught on. UDP lecture on March 3 to talk about sustainable city and applied academics in the city. Marc Schlossberg will discuss and will see if this is something the University is interested in. *Hazard (Himanshu and Bob) is working with Portland …other communities and how they relate to natural hazards in the social sense.*
* People are looking at the topic of resilience for entry level and it’s cohesive in the fact that City of Seattle is a partner. Nat. Acad. of Science, Engineering and Health are also involved
* At the college level,.one of the things donors are looking at is interdisciplinary what are the collective impacts on the outside world. They want to know the potential ….can there be an active conversation or model on how we are collectively impacting the community?
* UW Tech Policy lab: Jan is affiliate faculty there and has had meet and greet with corps who have an overlapping interest. The lab organizes the scholars and sometime invites the program officers from the philanthropic orgs. Can CBE be looking at the organizations websites…how we could have college invite people with common themes …a targeted effort.

**Vote to approve the 1/26 minutes**

Move, second

9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

**Vote: URBP Faculty Senate**

There will be two representatives for UDP sharing the role. Primary representative will be Jan Whittington second would be Branden Born

Move, second

9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

**Curriculum Committee: Dan Abramson**

The committee has decided that requiring a second studio be sidelined until we have more faculty equally represented.

Also the idea of having clusters over our current specialization’s will be looked at more closely as well

Side note\* All the incoming students showed interest in the broad specialization group but that deeper down each student had a specific interest.

Is it possible to do these changes in steps/phases…allowing us more time to fit in new courses to work with the new cluster groups?

**Minor : Kelly Hostetler**

Faculty voted on the changes to the minor but we don’t have faculty to teach the three core classes. We’ve adopted CEP 470 tools for sustainable cites

Can we be thinking about these core courses as what the department offers rather than what an individual faculty teaches so these can be portable? The minor electives can be taught by affiliates

Perhaps we can move to have 200 in the fall 300 winter etc

Is it possible for Kelly to have a separate meeting to talk with potential instructors for these courses: Jan, Marina and Manish?

**Diversity Committee: Branden**

Working on a new plan. Previous plan was very brief. Diana has taken on the lead to create a draft based on best –practices to create a new framework for a draft to be taken to the students and faculty and re-engineer for final draft.

**Real Estate: Sophia**

First candidate will be here Thursday and Friday. Thursday will be open to UDP faculty around 11:50-12:50 in 208J. The job talk will be from 3-5 that same day.

Thank you to faculty who stepped up to meet with the candidate for lunch.

The candidate has been vetted through the board. This job is to manage the data for the Washington Center for Real Estate Research… that is within the Runstad Center. The job of this person is to go beyond the sole Wa Center for real estate research AND teach classes

**MUP Recruitment Meeting Happening tomorrow**

We are hoping to send out a physical packet this year to include letters from chair, alumni, students and the P.C