

# Meeting Minutes

Urban Design & Planning

## Department Meeting

January 18, 2017 **\*\*\*NOTE NEW DAY\*\*\***

Noon - 1:20 Gould 100

### Agenda items

12:00 - 12:05	Approval of 1/04/17 minutes	Campbell
12:05 - 12:15	MUP application numbers and review	Siembor
12:15 - 12:30	MUP admissions policy change discussion	Campbell
12:30 - 12:45	Faculty Senate representative nomination and vote	Campbell
12:45 - 12:55	Real Estate Update – announcement of faculty vote to secede from the Department of Urban Design and Planning. Resolution to support.	Campbell
12:55 – 1:00	Edgar From Advancement	Gonzalez

### Additional information

Green Dot training Feb 8 sign up is in the Chairs note email as a shared doc.

Potential dates for PC and Faculty dinner (hosted by PC ) are Thu. Feb 16 OR Wed Feb 23. Quick poll which will work best for faculty?

DAP is this Friday in Gould Court

**Present:**

Qing Shen, Larissa Maziak, Christopher Campbell, Simon Stevenson, Sofia Dermisi, David Blum, Himanshu Grover, Bob Mugerauer, Diana Siembor, Branden Born, Rachel Berney, Manish Chalana ( late arrival Phil Hurvitz)

Absent: Marina Alberti, Christine Bae

**Approval of Jan 4 meeting minutes:**

Qing moves Bob second

Yes 7

No 0

Abstain 1

**MUP Applications: Numbers and review**

207 applications this year, which is down from 220-230, we received the last couple years.

We don't have all the demographics yet but there are fewer international students which is on par with other planning programs and fewer women applicants as men

We have to admit the same number of applicants

We will begin reviewing soon

There will be teams of 2 with 40 students per group

**MUP Admission Policy Change Discussion**

We are looking at longer allowing winter quarter admission and instead directing them to the GNM program.

Rational:

Initially we were allowing winter quarter applicants to create a bigger class size but the number of students who apply and actually come winter quarter is very low ( Diana provided some numbers in a handout)

Winter quarter is only feasible for local students

Winter quarter enrollment puts the students out of sequence and it can lead to falling behind

The path from GNM tends to be a better fit and there is about a 50% full MUP degree enrollment for these students

**Discussion**

GNM is a good way to assess students and see if they are ready for the program

One disadvantage really is that GNM is only feasible for local residence.... The program only allows for local students

Removing the winter quarter admission may be a disadvantage for International students

Seems like the data is there.... but can we look at a couple of cycles and come back to this??

Bob moves to accept that we no longer accept winter quarter admissions (Diana has agreed to keep track of how many requests for winter quarter she receives over the next couple of years

Branden seconds

5 yes

4 abstain

0 no

### **Allowing students to be a part the admission process discussion**

This used to be part of the program

At what point would students get involved?

The initial review process is quite the time commitment..

Landscape has student votes but they don't necessarily apply the votes

We could give students a vote or no vote

It may add a hurdle and won't necessarily get a better batch of student

To be responsive to students could they be part of the final decision...

TO bring them in at last minute is not a good idea as they should really be a part of the entire process...

End game is to give a positive response to students in this request

How about letting them in in the second round....see how their scores rate vs faculty?

### **College Committee Nominations**

- Faculty Senate Rep nomination  
Jan Whittington is our current rep but need to find a replacement while she is on sabbatical  
Faculty nominates Mark Purcell  
Vote TBD
- College curriculum committee nomination  
Jan Whittington is our current rep but need to find a replacement while she is on sabbatical  
Faculty nominates Christine Bae  
Vote TBD
- We also need a replacement on the PhD Committee  
Manish volunteers to be on the committee

**Real Estate Update: Real Estate faculty voted to secede from the Department of Urban Design and Planning so they may form their own department.**

**The department has read the letter from the Dean**

**The department acknowledges the vote of the Real Estate secession from UDP**

**Announcement:**

Dinner date for PC and Faculty either Feb 16 or Feb 22

Green Dot training is happening February 8

Safer Zone by the Q center training is Jan 30

DAP this Friday

MUP alum Diana Sugimura is this year's distinguished deans lecture speaker Feb 7

**Edgar from Advancement**

Faculty, staff and retirees are encouraged to engage in the UW giving campaign