

Department Meeting

March 29, 2017

Noon - 1:20 Gould 100

Agenda items

12:00 - 12:05	Review and approve 3/1/17 and 1/18/17 minutes	Campbell
12:05 - 12:20	Discussion & Vote: Recommendation to appoint candidates for open Assistant Professor positions, Real Estate	Campbell
12:20 - 12:30	MUP Open House overview and New Directions faculty sign-up	Campbell
12:30 – 12:40	Vote: ACSP Governing Board candidates	Campbell
12:40 -12:50	Vote: Visiting Scholar Emad Dawwas	Alberti
12:50 – 1:20 Adjourn	Individualized Study pre-proposal and other new business	Campbell/Open

Present:

Christopher Campbell, Larissa Maziak, Simon Stevenson, Sofia Dermisi, Branden Born, Himanshu Grover, Phil Hurvitz, Qing Shen, Manish Chalana, Rachel Berney: Late Arrival Bob Mugerauer

Mark Purcell submitted his votes prior to the meeting

1. Review and approve 1/18/17 & 3/1/17 minutes

Branden Born moves to approve both minutes

Rachel Berney seconds

9 yes 0 no 0 abstention

2. Discussion & Vote: Recommendation to appoint candidates for open Assistant Professor positions, Real Estate

There are three openings in Real Estate to fill.

There are two candidates left from the initial 5 candidates that were selected to give job talks. Today, we will vote on whether or not one or both of these candidates would be acceptable for the two Assistant Professor positions. It will be up to the Dean to make the final decision and negotiate the offer.

Search Committee Assessment:

The committee reviewed the remaining candidates over spring break. One of the candidates it reviewed has since withdrawn. Under the circumstances, the committee is strongly recommending Rebecca Walter to the appointment of Assistant Professor. While Jake Wegmann is a potentially viable candidate, the committee would like to hold their assessment of him at this time. Rebecca is well engaged with research topics that are relevant to the department. She is a strong candidate for the position.

CLOSED DISCUSSION: FACULTY DELIBERATES ON THE APPOINTMENT OF REBECCA WALTER AND JAKE WEGGMAN TO ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF URBAN DESIGN AND PLANNING

After discussing the candidates and considering the recommendation of the search committee, it was informally proposed that the faculty would vote on separate but identical motions for each candidate, and that each candidate would qualify for the position. It was also informally agreed that the search committee would recommend to the Dean that the position first be offered to Rebecca Walter and if she declined, it could then be offered to Jake Wegmann.

Chair moves to vote on Rebecca Walter:

Phil Hurvitz Moves:

“We recommend the appointment of Rebecca Walter to Assistant Professor in the Department of Urban Design and Planning”

Branden Born seconds

10 yes 1 abstain 0 no

After the first vote and prior to the move for the second vote on Jake Wegmann, a member of the search committee states that the committee is not prepared to recommend that Jake be appointed if Rebecca declines the offer. Instead, members of the search committee feel that it might be better to review additional candidates before offering the position to Jake.

After considerable discussion based on this new information, the faculty decide that the motion for Jake Wegmann should be slightly different from the motion for Rebecca.

In response to the proposal to alter the motion for Jake, Associate Professor Manish Chalana asks to retract his original vote for Rebecca Walter on the grounds that his vote for Rebecca was contingent upon Jake receiving the same motion. Professor Chalana asks that his request be entered formally into the meeting minutes. The Chair enters the request into the minutes but rejects the request to withdraw his vote.

Chair moves to vote on Jake Wegmann:

Sofia Dermisi moves:

“We vote to advise the Dean that the appointment of Jake Wegmann to Assistant Professor in the Department of Urban Design and Planning would be acceptable to the faculty”

Rachel Berney seconds

Discussion:

A motion is made to amend the language of this motion to match the motion for Rebecca:

“We recommend the appointment of Jake Wegmann to Assistant Professor in the Department of Urban Design and Planning”

Call to second the revised motion:

The motion is not seconded

*** THIS VOTE DID NOT TAKE PLACE**

Discussion:

After further discussion, the faculty informally agree to retract the original motion for Rebecca Walter and approve both Rebecca and Jake for appointment using identical language.

Chair moves to vote on Rebecca Walter’s recommendation for appointment:

Manish Chalana moves:

“The faculty wishes to retract the earlier vote today for Rebecca Walter to recommend her appointment to Assistant Professor in the Department of Urban Design and Planning”

Simon Stevenson seconds

10 yes 0 no 0 abstain

Chair moves to vote on Rebecca Walter:

Branden Born moves:

“We move that Rebecca Walter is acceptable to this department as a potential hire as Assistant Professor in Urban Design and Planning”

Rachel Berney seconds

10 yes 1 abstain 0 no

Chair moves to vote on Jake Wegmann

Branden Born moves:

“We move that Jake Wegmann is acceptable to this department as a potential hire as an Assistant Professor in Urban Design and Planning”

Himanshu Grover seconds

9 yes 2 abstentions 0 no

MEETING OPEN AGAIN

3. Open House and New Directions Events: Thursday March 30 and Friday March 31

Faculty are asked to please participate in both the New Directions event on the evening of March 30 and the Faculty introductions on the morning of March 31

4. Vote: Visiting Scholar Emad Dewwas

Qing Shen moves:

“Appoint Emad Dewwas as a Visiting Scholar in the Department of Urban Design and Planning starting in May 2018”

Branden Born seconds

11 yes, no 0 abstain 0

5. ACSP Nominations

Vice President/President-Elect : Marlon Boarnet

Secretary: Carissa Slotterback

Treasurer: Joe Grengs

Regional Representative - West: Richard Margerum

6. Next meeting will focus on individualized study