



Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology
Minutes for Department Meeting
January 29, 2013

Present: Berkelman, Bowe, Drake, Gunther, Karasov, Kruger, Locke, Lorimer, Lutz, Miron, Nack, Ozdogan, Pauli, Peery, Pidgeon, Ribic, Rickenbach, Rodock, Townsend, Webster, Zuckerberg

Absent: Gower, Langston, Mladenoff, Radeloff, Rissman, Samuel, Van Deelen

Bill Karasov (Chair) called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm in 216 Russell Labs.

Approval of Minutes

Drake (Lorimer) moved to approve the minutes of the meeting on December 3, 2012. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

Reports and Announcements

Webster: CRIS reports are past the extended deadline and must be completed ASAP. The paperwork is in place to hire a replacement for Jason Andrew's position. Please allow extra time to complete tasks since they are working short staffed. Margaret and Alyson Amenda will be following up with persons whose eReimbursement requests or ProCard charges are missing receipts, signatures, etc.

Rodock: Graduate student recruitment funds are available. See her if you are recruiting graduate students for summer or fall.

Old Business

Update on CALS strategic plan (Rickenbach): Rickenbach provided an update on the status of CALS' strategic plan. A new mission statement will be released soon. Priority themes have been developed.

Dean VandenBosch visit: Dean Kathryn VandenBosch will attend the April 2 department meeting.

CALS faculty positions: Karasov reported that at the most recent CALS chairs meeting it was announced that five faculty positions will be filled in the coming year. Requests for positions to be considered are due by March 18.

Departmental self-study: The self-study is on track and a document should be ready by Feb. 8.

TA Allocations 2013-14: Karasov announced that TA's have been approved for 110, 306, 360, and 550/551. However, the level of support has been reduced from 50% to 33% due to the demand for more TA's.

Update on the Remodel of Room 104: Karasov met with the other Russell Lab chairs regarding the proposed remodel design and they were agreeable. The next step is to confirm funding for the project.

New Business:

Approval to cross-list Zoo 957: Karasov presented information regarding a new graduate student seminar to be cross-listed in FWE.

Motion: Rickenbach (Ozdogan) moved to support and approve cross-listing 957 Introduction to Wisconsin Ecology: A Graduate Seminar in Forest and Wildlife Ecology. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Adjourn:

Drake (Rickenbach) moved to adjourn at 3:05 pm. Motion carried.