Department of Atmospheric Sciences
Faculty Meeting Agenda
Spring Quarter 2023
April 11, 2023
2:30-4:00 PM
ATG 610

**Academic Faculty:**
Alexandra Anderson-Frey, Abby Swann, Cliff Mass, Dargan Frierson, David Battisti, Greg Hakim, Lyatt Jaegle, Qiang Fu, Robert Wood, Shuyi Chen, Joel Thornton, Alex Turner

**Research Faculty:**
Ed Blanchard, Lynn A McMurdie, Peter Blossey, Roger Marchand

**Graduate Student Representatives**
Amy Liu

**Staff:**
Shana Ava, Dennis Cannuelle, Elin Martin, Jennifer Siembor, David Warren, Mong-Phi Le

1. **Call to Order & Meeting Minutes**
   - **Joel:** Motion to approve meetings in minutes?
   - Everyone: All in favor

2. **Announcements & Introductions**
   - **Joel:** 31 gifts husking giving day. $5445 gifts in total. Thanking the Dawgcast and other students for putting the media and visual for the websites

3. **Updates**
   a. **Diversity Committee Report (Daehyun Kim (not here))**
      No updates.
   
   b. **Undergrad Report (Lyatt Jaeglé and Jennifer Siembor)**
      - **Lyatt:** 63 undergraduates – reports on gender and underrepresented minority breakdown total number of undergraduates: 63 students
      - freshmen: 4; sophomores: 10; juniors: 16; seniors: 33
      - note that the numbers above are based on # credits, not number of years at UW
      - Male: 31, Female: 31; Non-binary: 1
      - Underrepresented minorities: 7
      - International students: 8
      - Numbers by Options:
        - 21 pre-majors
        - 16 meteorology
        - 15 climate
        - 6 chemistry
• 7 data science

Undergraduate Research Symposium (Poster presentations) is Tuesday May 23rd. If you know any undergrad students that are interested, please ask them to sign up

Jennifer: Atmos undergrad graduate celebration is this spring. Expecting 16 eligible students to graduation this year.

c. Grad program (Jennifer Siembor and Rob Wood)

Jennifer: Thanks Robert and everyone for recruitment efforts this year. We made 25 offers. We have about 15-16 positions, only 2 undecided remaining. 16 accepts

Robert: Will be reaching out to students and setting up 2nd cohort meeting at the end of spring.

d. Postdoc (Chris Kenseth)

Chris: Faculty, please send me contact info of new postdocs joining your research group so that I can provide onboarding information.

Joel and I would like to establish a fund (~$500 per year) that can be used for (bi)monthly postdoc social events (coffee, drinks). There are currently limited formal mechanisms for Atmos postdocs to meet/interact. We will present a formal proposal at the next meeting.

e. Graduate students (Nathan Cresswell-Clay, Amy Liu)

No updates.

f. Facilities (Dennis Canuelle)

No updates.

g. Computing (David Warren)

David: Will be working with MAA (Management Accounting and Analysis) to figure out billing/rates for next year. They have a worksheet to determine pricing for us.

Joel: The goal is to make sure our cost center doesn’t have a deficit (or a big surplus).

h. Office (Shana Ava)

Shana: We have 2 students that are graduating (Shubham and Swetha). We have coverage for most days except Mondays and Thursday mornings. Student related emails, please forward them to atmos advising instead of admin emails. Mark will be coming in person and have a desk in the office. This would be very helpful because he's handling all the FedEx, purchases and ProCards. We are also in the process of hiring student assistants.

i. Grants Team (Elin Martin)

Elin: Will be updating the budget template. Still waiting for tuition and spring 24 fiscal year changes to update. Make sure to submit all the reimbursements as there will be a freeze on certain transactions during June 9th to July 6th. Will start the review for FVC and will be reaching out after that.

Shana: Please send summer plans and have students send them too. We need to enter and verify everything before mid May for our budget management.
j. College Council (Qiang Fu/Joel)
   Qiang Fu: So far if we have promotions or tenure cases, please pay attention to the new guidelines as they were updated at the College level.

k. Faculty Senate (Alex Turner)
   Alex: Class A legislation to change the faculty code to be gender neutral passed. Class A legislation to create a new faculty title ("Professor of Clinical Practice") passed. Class A legislation on Proposed Merit Review was pushed back to the committee. The discussion regarding the new faculty title largely centered on the change in representation that the med school would have as it creates a lot of new faculty. It is unclear if we will see the legislation on Proposed Merit Review again, certainly not this year.

4. Old Business
   - Spring Public Lectures
     May 10th – Adam Sobel in Johnson Hall -GSDVL
     May 25th – Myles Alan in Kane Hall -Fleagle Lecture
     One will talk about climate change and the other one is about avoid climate change.
     Joel: There will be reception before each lecture but is invite only, everyone in the department is invited. We will not make this public. Attendance at public lectures is crucial. We will try doing some advertising such as paid social media to boost the posts or google ads using the department’s budget. The college of the environment annual spring celebration is also on May 25th and there may be activities like dunk tanks. There will be a registration page for lectures. Please register. Lectures won't be multicast but will be recorded. The recording links will be sent to those who registered.

5. New Business
   - Faculty Grant budget projections
     Shana: The goal is that every faculty has a worksheet in the Sharepoint that shows all your budget. They are reconciled and projected every month. Right now there are 3 Grant Managers, Mark, Elin and Paula. We want to make sure that we have a consistent worksheet so that everyone can coordinate and understand. Worksheets will show the remaining balance and expenditures and all the necessary information. Projection number is based on your last month’s expenditures. Prefer not to change the worksheet or only do it with your grant manager please. We want to be transparent and help you with writing new grants, only you and your grant managers have access to the worksheet. The plan is to have students set these worksheets up, we had 2 business students that helped but they already graduated so the grant team will help with this as well.

     Robert: Is this a shadow system?
Shana: Yes, this is a shadow system of Workday because Workday is not user friendly and myFinancialDesktop is going away, however, information will still be stored on there and you can still access it.

6. Adjourn to Executive Session
   ● Nomination of Dr. Ruby Leung as new affiliate faculty
   ● Alex Turner’s reappointment

Next meeting: May 9th, 2023