

Department of Atmospheric and Climate Science
Faculty Meeting Minutes
Winter Quarter 2026
Tuesday, January 13, 2026
2:30-4:30 PM
ATG 610

1. **Call to Order & Meeting Minutes**
2. **Announcements & Introductions**
 - AMS Reception
 - Chair Search
 - OWL Reservation
3. **Quarterly Updates**
 - A. Facilities (Dennis Canuelle)
 - a. Drinking water testing
 - i. ATG is not getting a replacement this year
 - ii. Old ceramic ones will be replaced first
 - b. If you signed up for UW Alert, you will be receiving a test alert
 - B. Computing (David Warren, Craig Corvin)
 - C. Grants Team (Shana Ava)
 - a. Please certify the project statement by Friday. If not completed in time, there may be consequences such as termination of awards
 - b. FINESST application
 - i. Depends on the funding; the deadline has not been set yet
 - ii. Students can start working on the science portion
 - iii. No more than \$50,000 per year
 - D. Undergrad Report (Lyatt Jaeglé, Cathy Liao)
 - a. 50 atmos majors
 - E. Grad program (Cecilia Bitz, Cathy Liao)
 - a. 50 grad students currently
 - i. 163 applications
 - ii. Visit Day is 2/27/26
 - iii. 7 open positions as of now
 - iv. University/College fellowships are uncertain right now
 - F. Graduate students (Dominik Stiller, Angel Chui)
 - a. Goal: build and maintain an inclusive department culture
 - b. Interest Meeting (Dec. 2025) had high attendance - ATG 610 was full
 - i. Grad student and post-docs attended
 - ii. Shared experiences with DIG and EDI Committee to align goals for A4A
 - c. Current Efforts
 - i. Lab/Group Handbook integration into IDP

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- ii. Anonymous suggestion box to chair
 - iii. Student and/or post-doc on colloquium committee
 - iv. Advisor switching procedure/resources
 - d. Plans for rest of academic year
 - i. Establish A4A Committee for next year
 - ii. Resurrect Exit/Culture Survey for students who leave the department (via graduation + other ways)
 - iii. Explore funding options outside the department for next year (e.g. Seed Grants)
- G. Postdocs (Troy Zaremba)
 - a. Working on getting everyone together for a gathering
- H. Office & HR (Shana Ava)
 - a. For hiring: check the Intranet and complete the related questionnaire before submitting the hiring request to ATMHR.
 - b. Shana is putting together guidelines and a video on how to enter Holiday Taken Time Off
- I. College Council (Abby Swann)
 - a. Just reviewed 13th promotion cases
 - b. The Provost requests that the Council review the current P&T guidelines; the deadline is in March
- J. Faculty Senate (Kyle Armour)
 - a. 3-hour meeting in December
 - b. Voting hierarchy may change for the College Council for smaller units due to a lack of eligible faculty

4. **Old Business**

- Reminder: Digital Accessibility Deadline is April 26, 2026. Target of 80% compliance. Pay attention to the helpful emails from the Teaching Support Team.

5. **New Business**

- David Baker's servers (David Warren)
 - Going to GPUs, so they cleared out some servers to make space
 - ATMOS received 10 servers
 - ATMOS is replacing the server used for students, and the Department is paying for it
 - Servers are available
 - The setup fee and monthly fee are still required
 - Talk to David or Craig for more info
- Unlocking and locking rooms in ATG (Shana)
 - Collaborate with faculty to close and open doors for classes
 - Identify faculty members who are teaching the last class at the end of the day
 - A more detailed plan will be established for the next quarter

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- Civil Rights Compliance Training (Shana)
 - Deadline is 3/10/26
 - Make sure to refresh the browser after turning off Ad Block, or else it won't record your completion!
 - Take the survey at the end

6. **Adjourn to Executive Session**