

MINUTES
Faculty Meeting
Thursday, November 8
129 AGLS

1. Dr. Elliot clarified the invitation that was extended to Drs. Dromgoole and Steele as adjunct faculty. This was done to enable them to serve on graduate committees, guest lecture, etc. These appointments would be much like Dr. Don Rennie's. This would be a huge coup for the Department. It was exciting to know that they wanted to be affiliated with us.
2. Tenure and Promotion Document. As mentioned in the departmental meeting, Dr. Elliot has not read the last version. He will do it this weekend and get back to the committee. He again thanked those who had already worked on making the document as complete/inclusive/accurate as it is now. There is no urgency to end work on the document. We want the document to be something that we are very comfortable with. Debbie will make sure that this last updated copy is distributed to the faculty today. 400 comments received. Very well vetted document.
3. Reallocation. More than last year. Awarded \$25,900 in study abroad scholarships for winter and spring. There are additional funds for the summer study abroad programs.
4. Dr. Wingenbach asked how study abroad teaching stipends were awarded? SAFE funds out of the Provost's office used. The new format is based on two year WSCH average. Fees based on length of stay? Not student enrollment? Cathryn Clement will get with Kim Dooley for answers to all questions posed today. Dr. Elliot expressed concern that letters were sent to the students with only signatures from Clement and Dooley. He said that he had contacted their office asking that the Department be included by having his signature also included. Clement said that would not be a problem and felt that it was probably just an oversight this time.

Travel Request Form Deadlines

Domestic (30 days prior to trip): e.g., travel December 1, 2012 due by November 1, 2012
International (60 days prior to trip): e.g., travel January 1, 2013 due by November 1, 2012

Upcoming Events

November 22-23, Thanksgiving Break
December 3, College Holiday Social
December 5, 8:00 a.m., Holiday Breakfast, 129 AGLS
December 7, Secret Santa
Holiday Lunch and Movie, TBD
December 11-12, Doc At A Distance Seminar
December 14, Commencement at 9:00 a.m. for COALS
December 24-January 1, Holiday Break

Future Departmental Meetings

December 5, Wednesday, 9:00 am
January 9, Wednesday, 9:00 am, AgriLife Conference
February 12, Tuesday, 2:00 pm
March 7, Thursday, 9:00 am
April 2, Tuesday, 2:00 pm
May 6, Monday, 9:00 am