

Faculty Meeting Minutes  
(Non-executive session)  
May 7, 2019  
Lewis 208

Present: Ivana Bozic, Bernard Deconinck (chair), Anne Greenbaum, Mark Kot, Nathan Kutz, Tim Leung, Hong Qian, Eric Shea-Brown, Eli Shlizerman, KK Tung

Absent: Sasha Aravkin, Chris Bretherton, Ulrich Hetmaniuk (on leave), Matt Lorig

Others present: Rachel Reichert (staff representative), Kelsey Maass (GSR)

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order by chair at 12:03 pm
- Minutes from April 2019 meeting approved

Research Exchange and undergraduate research experience for KAUST students

- Research exchange was discussed. Faculty should be aware they may be contacted directly. Should keep this in mind for our own students who may qualify.
- Called for volunteers for KAUST students undergraduate research mentors – no one volunteered, issue with having to be on campus all summer to participate

Merit Raises

- Annual Reports due 05/07
- Currently expecting 2% across the board faculty raises. Not confirmed yet.
- Changes to process for merit determination discussed. Previously a committee made recommendations that were approved by Chair. Academic HR now insists that all faculty vote on all colleagues junior to them in rank. College is on board with proposal to have faculty vote on committee (Anne Greenbaum and Eric Shea-Brown) recommendations.
- Discussion about requirement of CWSEI form and including a statement about reading this as part of the annual report process. This is one of many options (all more onerous than CWSEI reading) that is being considered as an alternative of course evaluations for promotion considerations.

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference Update

- 178 registered/130 for the workshop on the first two days
- Additional e-science sponsor
- Reminder to send speaker names to Laurie
- 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary breakfast mentioned

Seismic upgrade and move

- Campus maps for locations shown
- Locations discussed, with faculty to be located in PAA basement, in shared offices.
- Housekeeping email with details and room assignments will be sent this week

CFRM BS/MS Update

- 46 accepted offers for MS – expecting about 15 rescissions
- Amath already has a BS/MS pathway
- Now proposing CFRM pathway- ballot will be sent for faculty to vote

Curriculum Changes

- Proposal to change scheduling of the below courses to 3 meeting times per week instead of four times
  - Amath 401/501
  - Amath 402/502

- Amath 403/503

12:50 pm Non-executive portion of the meeting completed