

Minutes of the Faculty Meeting

The September Faculty Meeting was held on Tuesday the 18th at 4:00 in COM 209. Those present were Dean Fiedler, Associate Dean Shanahan, Assistant Dean Mahoney, Assistant Dean Sabovik, Professors Austin, Bayles, Berkovitz, Boches, Burak, Cakebread, Carroll, Carter, Cavalieri, Clark C., Danielpour, Davis, Doherty, Donohue, Downes, Egleson, Fauls, Grundmann, Hall, Jaramillo, Johnson, Katz, Kauffmann, Lambert, Lee, Lehr, Loman, Mehren, Merzbacher, Mills, Oppliger, Perron, Quigley, Rafeizadeh, Rand, Schneider, Sahl, Shanahan, Shorr, Smith, Southwick, Supa, Thompson, Trust, Tsay-Vogel, Ureneck, Verret, Vigil, Walsh, Walker, Waller, Wu, Zelnick, Zuckoff.

1. Dean Fiedler opened up the Faculty Meeting welcoming new Faculty members, Professor Boches, Professor Trust, and new Feld Professor, Professor Katz. Dean Fiedler also reiterated the passing of Professor Peter Morrissey and his legacy on the College of Communication. Dean Fiedler then made a motion to approve May Minutes. Motion was made, seconded and approved.
2. Assistant Dean Sabovik announced the conferring of September Graduates and asked if anyone saw any discrepancies on the list that was distributed. Professor Schneider, Perron and Shorr all mentioned students. Motion made to confer September Graduates pending approvals mentioned, motion made, seconded and approved. Dean Sabovik then went on to discuss some safety issues regarding students/faculty during office hours/outside of class. Professor Tsay-Vogel explained a certain situation in which having a Faculty buddy became useful and reiterated the necessity for a Faculty buddy when meeting students in offices.
3. Dean Fiedler went on to explain a few safety issues going beyond office hours, and more for traveling domestically or abroad with students for a class based assignment. Dean Fiedler mentioned a few points such as :
 - If you have an assignment that is 2-3 hours away, that is considered a reasonable distance for students to drive themselves. Anything more would require commercial transportation
 - Avoid driving students yourself
 - No vans should be used with student drivers
 - If student are driving a rental car, extra insurance should be issued
 - Finally, it's important to alert the central Dean's Office of student travel
4. Professor Tsay-Vogel announced September Communication Research Colloquium being presented by Professor Supa. She also went on to announce the October De Fleur Lecutur featuring Dr. Diana Mutz.
5. Assistant Dean Mahoney had a few housekeeping announcements regarding travel reimbursements. Receipts must be itemized, and people should be including their home addresses on the forms. Dean Mahoney also spoke on behalf of the Faculty Council and the need for an alternate in Film in TV that was missed at the last Faculty Meeting vote.

Professor Doherty was chosen as alternative for the Department. Motion made, seconded and approved.

6. Professor Schneider announced Garland Waller's Film *No Way Out But One*, which will air on The Documentary Channel on 10/29 at 8PM and 11PM and will be distributed by The Doc Store. Professor Schneider also mentioned Roy Grundmann's involvement in the Schroeter Film Conference taking place on September 27th-29th, as well as the Cinemateque on Friday the 21st at COM
7. Professor Jaramillo announced the arrival of the new Blackboard learning system, and IS&T's presentation at the October Faculty Meeting to go over the new system.
8. Dean Fiedler discussed the profile of our incoming class regarding size and selection. Dean Fiedler then went on to discuss the Distinguished Alumni Awards taking place that weekend, and went over bios of each of the recipients and the importance of Faculty to attend any or all of the events taking place during Alumni weekend.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:00

Faculty Reception immediately followed