

Faculty meeting 4pm, 16 January 2018, POT 745

Announcements

1. Alumni day, 23 February 2018
2. Spring faculty meetings:
27 Feb, PDO
27 March, Faculty reviews
24 April, select Hayden Howard, Van Winter and Eaves lecturers
3. Eaves lecture, Francis Su on 29 March
Van Winter lecture, John Preskill, 6 April
Hayden Howard lecture, Mike Hill, 9 April

Business

1. Approval of minutes from 28 November 2017. See <http://www.ms.uky.edu/~chair/minutes/>
2. Lecturer cap. The Department proposes to raise the limit on lecturers from 8 to 9 and to begin a search for a 9th lecturer. According to AR 2:9 II. C., this will require a majority vote of the tenure stream faculty in the Department.

Rationale: Our teaching in the fall is constrained by the need to provide 35 sections of 100 level service courses (MA 109, 110, 111, 123, 162). We typically have 30 courses taught by FTIs and lecturers, 3 taught by PTIs and 2 taught by tenure stream faculty or post-docs. This calculation suggests that we need a minimum of 10 FTIs and lecturers to handle 30 sections.

In a meeting on 9 Jan, the Executive Committee recommended we search for a ninth lecturer for 2018-19 to join our expected pool of eight lecturers and one FTI.