

Faculty Meeting of 17 January 2018: Minutes

Present: Russell Brown, Nathaniel Stapleton, Ben Braun, Francis Chung, Olivia Prosper, Margaret Readdy, Richard Ehrenborg, Kate Ponto, Bert Guillou, David Royster, Robert Denomme, Jason Terry, Rachel Petrik, David Leep, erica J. Whitaker, Alberto Corso, Uwe Nagel, Ferndando Shao, Mihai Tohaneanu, Peter Hislop, Luvreet Sangha, Adib Bagh, James Brennan, Jack Schmidt, David Murragarra, Nicholas Nguyen

- (1) Alumni Day
- (2) Spring Faculty Meetings:
 - (a) 27 Feb, PDO
 - (b) 27 March, Faculty reviews
 - (c) 24 April, select Hayden Howard, Van Winter and Eaves lecturers
- (3) Lecture Announcements
 - (a) Eaves lecture, Francis Su on 29 March
 - (b) Van Winter lecture, John Preskill, 6 April
 - (c) Hayden Howard lecture, Mike Hill, 9 April
- (4) Business
 - (a) Minutes from 28 November 2017 are approved.
 - (b) 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. **Move to vote, seconded, tenure-stream faculty vote to pass (2 opposed).**
 - (c) Nat Stapleton introduced to applause.