

Department Meeting

April 24, 2018

Noon – 1:25 **Gould 440**

Agenda items

12:00 — 12:05	Review and Approve March 27th minutes	Campbell
12:05 — 12:15	Diversity Plan Review and Vote	Campbell
12:15 — 12:25	MUP & PhD Student Award nominations	Campbell
12:25 — 1:05	Merit Review for Berney and Grover (Closed meeting)	Purcell
1:05 — 1:20	Merit Review for Hurvitz (Closed meeting)	Purcell

Present: Christopher Campbell, Jan Whittington, Dan Abramson, Mark Purcell, Diana Siembor, Himanshu Grover, Qing Shen, Manish Chalana, Bob Mugerauer, Rachel Berney, Branden Born, Christine Bae, Larissa Maziak

Review and Approve March 27th minutes:

Discussion: In terms of recommended efforts from the 10-year review, can we highlight the need for financial review?

Qing move Rachel and Mark second

7 yes

1 abstain

0 no

Diversity Plan Review and Vote:

After faculty reviewed the latest diversity plan in fall of 2017, it went back to the UDP Diversity Committee and after several iterations, this is the final version.

It's gone through a few rounds of edits. The PhD students have reviewed and are happy with the input

It is a living document and will probably have a few changes over the years

We're voting to endorse this as the departments' official Diversity Plan. Just like a strategic plan, these are aspirations for the department and there are some suggested items that we should focus on. The next step is charging a group with assessing our progress. It's up to the department to make a commitment to this and uphold that commitment.

Mark move to approve

Discussion: can we say we will update yearly or as needed? This is already in the plan. The Diversity committee will be looking at it each spring and address any changes that need to take place.

Rachel Second

10 yes

0 abstain

0 no

MUP Award and Nominations:

Faculty Medal

Tracy Fuentes: Was active in governance and her dissertation is outstanding

Evan Carver Does great work and is a good teacher

AICP Outstanding Student Award: 2018

Emma Arigroff

UDP Outstanding Student Awards: 2018

MUP

Summer Wu

Feiyang Sun

Sylvia Janicki amazing thesis defense...most productive student she's seen so far

Alicia Halberg

PHD

None nominated

Special Service Recognition Award: 2018

Louie Leiva

Ishmael Nunez

Michelle Surber

Hayden Campbell

Laura Durgerian

Mary Xiao

For future thought...Can we do a pass with distinction for an exceptional thesis ?

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