

Department of Mathematics
Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, June 17, 2009
331 Altgeld Hall, 9:30am

Present: Berndt, Katz, Reznick, Song, Sowers
Absent: Junge, Rosenblatt
New EC members present: Dunfield
Minutes: Moore
Secretary: Reznick

OPEN MINUTES

Approved 07/01/2009

1. The minutes of May 29, 2009, were approved as written.
The minutes of June 2, 2009, were approved as amended.
- 2.* The Chair reported that:
 - a. The College will not look at faculty search requests until July.
 - b. Francis was successful in getting funding for his online geometry course.
 - c. He will be out of the office next week and not sure whether email or cell phone service will be available.
 - d. Our PRISM proposal was declined.
 - e. He is talking to the College about offering an undergraduate math scholarship with admission to incoming students.
- 3.* The associate chair position was discussed.
- 4.* Sowers, Rosenblatt, and Junge have been working on a recommendation for committee assignments. However, since Rosenblatt and Junge are away most of the summer, it was decided to add another member to the group, preferably a new EC member. Dunfield volunteered to help.

Sowers will make a set of instructions to help in drafting future committee assignments.

For the next EC meeting, the group will bring recommendations for the chair of the Colloquium, Picnic, and Proficiency committees.

5. Discussion of the recommendation from the Grants Committee was tabled until Schenck could attend the meeting, since he is on that committee.
6. The EC reviewed the recommended medium-term goals for the UAC from Tolman and approved the following recommended charge for the UAC:

- Reduce the number of courses with ICES scores in the bottom 10%.

Katz will relay this to the new UAC chair when appointed.

- 7.* The EC discussed the C&M plan from Woods and the recommendation for a committee to review the C&M program from Tolman, chair of the UAC.

The EC agreed to ask Tolman for a recommendation of who should be on this committee (possibly, the UAC or a subcommittee).

8. The GAC recommendation for changes to comps was tabled until Schenck could attend the meeting, since he is on that committee.
- 9.* Recommendations for changes to the Honors Program from Tolman, chair of the UAC, were discussed.

From the UAC's recommendations, the EC supports the first bullet point, which is

- To begin, we should offer one more section of Honors 241 next fall. To make up the expense, we can offer one less section of Honors 231 in the spring.

*-Details are in Closed Minutes.