

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 18, 2008

331 Altgeld Hall, 10:00am

Present: Junge, Katz, Reznick, Rosenblatt, Song, Sowers

Absent: Berndt

Minutes: Moore

Secretary: Reznick

OPEN MINUTES

Approved 9/23/2008

1. The minutes of September 9, 2008 were approved as amended.
- 2.* The Chair reported that:
 - a. Campus P&T reform is done, and the guidelines should be available in January. These will not apply to the current cycle of promotions.
 - b. Due to the decentralized process on this campus, we are being asked about streamlining the Parkland student transfer process. This new process would automatically admit Parkland transfer students with set criteria. Because this could increase the number of students we teach, Katz has asked about where in the University the money would come from to teach these new students. (The EC was generally supportive of this initiative.)
 - c. He has been asked to post our department policies on the department web site by Berndt and Junge, as part of the P&T Review Committee, to aid in the recommendations regarding P&T policy changes in the department bylaws. (Junge will check with legal counsel about possible issues.)
 - d. Because of a conflict with Tuesday, September 30, the EC will meet on Thursday, October 2, that week and not on Tuesday.
 - e. The tentative budget still has a very serious negative cash flow (he reviewed a handout on the budget).
3. The tentative agenda for the October 2 department meeting was approved.
4. The allocation of seminar budgets was deferred to next week.
- 5.* A personnel issue was discussed.
- 6.* The final report of the Online Education Committee was discussed and met with general approval. The EC agreed to return the Online Education Committee final report back to that committee to refine the document.

*-Details are in Closed Minutes.