I. The following faculty members attended the meeting: Gordon Erlebacher, Max Gunzburger, Chen Huang, Anke Meyer-Baese, Janet Peterson, Tomek Plewa, Brian Quaife, Dennis Slice, Sachin Shanbhag, Xiaoqiang Wang

II. Minutes from the October meeting were approved.

III. The faculty retreat will be held during finals week on Monday, December 11, 2017 from 8:30 – 12:30. Karey will check availability at Wakulla Springs for that day for the retreat and lunch. The purpose of this retreat is to discuss departmental mission, objectives, and goals. There will be discussion of the effectiveness of our courses and how they have changed over time. There may be a need to redefine some of our courses and their prerequisites. Tomek expressed concern that too much content could potentially be removed.

IV. Internships for undergraduates and graduates are encouraged. For graduate students previous experience is important to NSF (National Science Foundation).

V. Canvas must be used by fall 2018.

VI. Gordon records all of his class lectures and asked what others thought about recoding/posting class lectures.

VII. Currently there is no faculty representative for our students who wish to complete Honors in the Major. Karey will find out the responsibilities for the departmental representative.

VIII. Gordon met with people from the Biology Department regarding their tracking system. In this system, faculty and students can track everything such as prelim results, prospectus, TA evaluations, student progress reports, etc. Hopefully, within a year this can be in place for the department.

IX. Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.