DSC Faculty Meeting

March 5, 2018

DSL 499 2:30 – 3:00

1. Present: Gordon Erlebacher, Max Gunzburger, Alan Lemmon, Janet Peterson, Tomek Plewa, Sachin Shanbhag
2. Minutes from February 5, 2018 meeting were approved.
3. Currently we have 26 undergraduate students. We lost three students from last month. Two students left the department because they had GPAs beneath 2.00 and one student is a minor in our department.
4. We were told QER for the department would take place in fall 2018. This would be only six years since our last review in 2012. Gordon followed up and discovered QER takes place every seven years. We will delay QER until fall 2019. This will give us the opportunity to grow our numbers and see the benefits of our AD campaign. Hopefully we will have 40 undergraduate students by fall 2019. Ryan Learn is preparing all the groundwork for the QER.
5. We made TA offers to five Ph.D. candidates. We anticipate funding two or three students. One Ph.D. student has accepted and signed the offer.
6. Chen Huang is awaiting final confirmation that he is the recipient of a NSF career award.
7. There was discussion about HPC (High Performance Computing): should we offer three parallel computing courses MPI (Message Passing Interface), Open MP (Open Multiprocessing), and CUDA (Compute Unified Device Architecture)
8. Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.