DSC Faculty Meeting

Monday December 3, 2018

DSL 499 2:30 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.

Present: Peter Beerli, Gordon Erlebacher, Alan Lemmon, Tomek Plewa, Sachin Shanbhag, Dennis Slice, Xiaoqiang Wang

Minutes from the November 5, 2018 meeting were approved

1. Gordon said the work on the departmental by-laws revisions should wrap up. Faculty should review the by-laws and suggest any needed revisions. Tomek suggested that explanations of the revisions should also be included.
2. There should be more discussion, reassessment of faculty who hold the title specialized faculty.
3. The new chair search has begun. The members of the chair search committee met with the Dean. There will be no new faculty positions. Tomek and Gordon have put their names forward as candidates. Other nominations are due by Thursday, December 6, 2018.
4. There needs to be a clear vision and defined mission of our department. It was suggested that including buzz words like data science and machine learning are valuable words to include in a mission statement.
5. Alan Lemmon expressed concern about the computers in DSL 152. He said these computers lack the memory and storage capacity his students need to solve problems.
6. Gordon followed this discussion with a reminder that IEP must be completed by December 21, 2018. Gordon suggested that the undergraduate and graduate committees collect all complaints from students regarding instructors, computers, rooms, etc.
7. The meeting concluded around 3:40 p.m.