Faculty Meeting

January 14, 2019

DSL 499 2:00 p.m.

Present: Peter Beerli, Gordon Erlebacher, Chen Huang, Alan Lemmon, Anke Meyer-Baese, Tomek Plewa, Bryan Quaife, Sachin Shanbhag, Dennis Slice, Xiaoqiang Wang

- 1. Minutes from the December 2018 meeting were approved.
- 2. Faculty were encouraged to begin reading the graduate applications for fall 2019 admissions. At this point seventeen applications have been moved to the Grad Committee Read bin. Regarding the current number of students in the department Karey stated there are 37 undergraduate and 31 graduate students.
- 3. This week the new chair committee should meet.
- 4. The QER is pending in fall 2019. Faculty members put forward several people as possible outside reviewers. They are Andrew Christlieb (Michigan State), Bengt Fornberg (University of Colorado/Boulder), and Steve McCormick (University of Colorado/Boulder). Although not mentioned at the meeting, the name Gordon was trying to remember was Brian Athey, Co-Director of the Michigan Institute of Data Science.
- 5. Gordon announced the FSU Collaborative Collisions event in Machine Learning and A.I. will be in Fall, 2019. He has been speaking with Mike Mitchell, Proposal Development Coordinator, in FSU's Office of Proposal Development. The idea of this office and event is to encourage collaborations among researchers within the FSU community.
- 6. Nathan Crock and Gordon are involved in hosting a Machine Learning workshop. This workshop is planned for April 20, 2019 and will take place in the Jim Moran School of Entrepreneurship on South Monroe Street. The auditorium seats up to 180 people.
- 7. This week Gordon plans to meet with several Panamanian businessmen to determine if there can be future collaborations between the department and these businessmen.
- 8. The dates for the 2019 Computational Expo have not been set. The possible dates at this time are April 12th or April 19th. Risette will let us know when the date is finalized.
- 9. The list of affiliated faculty should be updated. Several faculty had their laptops and in the meeting a quick update was suggested. The affiliated faculty to remain on the list are: Adrian Barbu, Dennis Duke, Mohammed Hussaini, Fengfe Ke, Michael Mascagni, Jose Mendoza Cortes, Dennis Ridley, Katja Pinker-Domenig, Simon Thuo, and Ming Ye.
- 10. Kelsey "Jack" Keen is completing the paper work to establish a departmental RSO (Registered Student Organization).
- 11. Faculty are to list their teaching preferences for fall 2019 and spring 2019. Sachin will be forwarding information.
- 12. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.