

Minutes

DSC Faculty Meeting

February 3, 2020 2:30 P.M.

Present: Gordon Erlebacher, Chen Huang, Alan Lemmon, Anke Meyer-Baese, Tomek Plewa, Sachin Shanbhag, Xiaoqiang Wang. **Absent:** Peter Beerli.

1. Minutes from January 2020 meeting were approved.
2. Karey will attend FSU/TTC Day on Wednesday, February 5th. This is a FSU recruiting event. The undergraduate numbers remain around 50 students.
3. Gordon said the revisions to the department bylaws are complete. He has also completed revisions to the FSU General Graduate Bulletin. Now GFD and Fire Dynamics are listed under our department. Gordon will remove courses taught by Dennis Slice from the bulletin. Ming Ye has asked Gordon to cross list courses he teaches in Geology with ISC courses. Students have the option to use the courses as an outside elective or a department elective.
4. Gary Ostrander, Vice President for Research at FSU has indicated there will be greater scrutiny of all faculty, post docs, students traveling to China. This may also extend to Iran and Russia. Gordon can send the link to the website that gives specific details.
5. The new faculty position applicants will have the opportunity to join our faculty for lunch or dinner. It was suggested the grad students should also have the opportunity to share a meal with these applicants.
6. There are 5 strong candidates for the fall 2020 M.S. program. Karey should receive a list of all M.S., Ph.D. 2020 accepted students by Wednesday, February 5, 2020.
7. There is concern that grad students are not attending the Wednesday seminars. Many feel this should be a required, zero credit course. Later there will be continued discussion regarding the implementation of the requirement.
8. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.