# Department of Earth and Space Sciences Meeting of the Faculty Friday, November 4, 2016 JHN 175 ~ 2:30 p.m.

### **AGENDA**

## Call to Order - Meeting of the Faculty in Open Session

## 1. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Approval of October 7, 2016 Faculty Meeting Minutes

### 2. Announcements

- Good News Items
- Jody Bourgeois sends her thanks to everyone who was able to attend her retirement celebration. She was deeply moved.
- 2017-18 Sabbatical Requests due to Chair November 15.
- ESS Food Drive 2016: Dates October 24-December 14
  - We're collecting non-perishable human food items for the University District Food bank, and non-perishable pet food items for the Seattle Humane Society.
  - Please bring your donations to the ESS Front Desk in 070 or ESS Student Services.
- Effective December 1, 2016, the new Fair Labor Standards Act is in effect. The result of
  this for the department is that there will no longer be any Research Associate positions of
  less than 1.0 FTE allowed. All Research Associate positions must be at 1.0 FTE at a
  minimum rate of \$3957/month.
- As part of the UW's new fundraising campaign "Be Boundless" the University will
  match gifts made by current and retired faculty and staff members to endowed
  scholarships and graduate fellowships at a 50% rate. This program runs until the
  matching funds are exhausted or until June 30, 2020.
- UW Transitional Support Program applications are due December 1, 2016
  - Support available for outstanding tenured and tenure-track faculty in STEM who are undergoing life transitions that may impact their research productivity.

## 3. Reports and Business

- Curriculum (Gorman-Lewis) Short Announcement regarding curriculum.
- **Undergraduate Program** (Roe) Announcement regarding review of current required and recommended undergraduate course pre-requisites.
- Graduate Program (Creager)

## 4. Standing Committees

- Admissions (Buick) Nothing to Report.
- **Computing** (Harnett)
- MESSAGe (Crider)
- Oversight (Brown/McCarthy)
- Prelim (Schmidt/Steig) Nothing to Report.
- Promotion, Reappointment & Merit (Holzworth/Catling) Nothing to Report.
- Scholarships, Fellowships, and Awards (Bergantz)
- College Council Representation (Waddington)

- 5. Old Business
  - Colloquium Chairs for Winter and Spring quarters
- 6. New Business
  - Conversations on Diversity and Community
- 7. Adjourn to Executive Session (approx. 3:30 p.m.)