

**SCIENCE AND MATH
DIVISION MEETING MINUTES
March 4, 2008**

PRESENT:

Dennis Anderson	Gary Houlette	Dave Palkovich
Marsha Austin	Fabiola JaniakSpens	Raul Ramirez
Bruce Bailey	Steve Kamm	Steve Shore
Kristy Bailey	Steve Kash	Tony Stancampiano
Lisa Buckelew	Linda Knox	Tad Thurston
Paul Buckelew	Gail Malmstrom	Richard Trout
Tamara Carter	Jay Malmstrom	Mike Turegun
Roger Choate	John McMurray	David Wiggins
Betty Coleman	Judy Mee	Sonya Williams
Courtney Dodd	Cassandra Meek	Changjiang Zhu
Ernest Gobert	Janet Mitchell	Cheryl Wolfe(mins)
Ken Harrelson	Charlotte Mulvihill	
B.J. Higgins	Charles Nunley	

GUESTS:

Felix Aquino
Jay Ramanjulu
Ed Williams

OPERATION OF NEW PROJECTORS

Mike Bates demonstrated the new projectors which will be replacing 71 of the old ones. A survey was passed around for faculty to fill out and return. These projectors will be installed after Spring Break.

HIRING UPDATE

There are three full-time positions to be filled: New Math faculty, closing date of March 25; Coordinator of Developmental Math which is a staff position; Nanotech/Engineering position which closes on March 25.

Dr. Aquino reported on the budget outlook for next year. We will receive flat monies from the State. Any new money will come from tuition increases. A \$5 per credit hour increase equals \$1.5 million. A 1% pay increase equals \$271,000. They are looking at prioritizing positions and do not anticipate a hiring freeze.

STUDENT AWARDS (Nominations due Mar. 14th)

Max will be forwarding a list of students to faculty.

STEM Thread at OACC

Late registration is still available. There are 12-13 people registered. See Max if you want to register late.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee to choose the INBRE internships won't meet until March 12. Students will not find out if they were awarded until after Spring Break.

Steve Kamm thanked faculty for getting information out to students regarding the Health Professions Club.

Jay and Max reported on ELAC. They have been discussing what, if anything was meant by the cut scores.

Max reported on the General Education committee. They are not happy with the current assessment instrument. They are looking at a model done by Johnson County.

Gary reported on the Engineering Club field trip which was taken on Friday. They took 16 students to DCP Midstream (Duke, Conoco, Phillips). This company brings in \$27 million in revenue per month and treated them all very professionally. They also took the whole group out to eat for lunch at Eichens in Okarche. Sonya also reported the Engineering Club sponsors provide free pizza every Thursday for the engineering students. Any faculty who comes, please feel free to donate to the cost of the pizza.

The Curriculum Committee documents have been turned in. There will be a meeting for Science/Math with the Curriculum Committee on March 27.

OTHER

The blue trashcan in 2B5B is for recycling, not for regular trash. A regular trashcan should be placed in there also.

Dr. Aquino reported on the long range facilities planning for Academic Affairs. A committee will be put together to look at the 10 year outlook of what the facilities should look like. The structure of the committee will be a central steering committee made up of cabinet members. Two subcommittees (one for classroom spaces and one for non-instructional spaces) will be set up to report to the cabinet members. This will be addressed in Dean's Council.

Max showed a video sent around by Dr. Marion Paden. The video was done by Anthropology students and it showed students questioning the technology they're given. The link will be forward to faculty.

Gary encouraged faculty to read this week's Pioneer editorial on the 10 Steps to the Top.

Meeting adjourned.