

**Department of Earth and Space
Sciences Meeting of the Faculty
Tuesday, October 20, 2020 2:30pm via Zoom**

AGENDA

Call to Order - Open Session

- **Approval of 10/2/20 Open Session Meeting Minutes (via Catalyst vote)**
- **Announcements**
 - Upcoming 10-year Review
 - Eric did Penn State – very impressed
 - Permission to push it back (tail end of next year?) Done with self study in Jan 2022 (otherwise, site visit in Fall – is Spring 2022 too soon?)
 - We can choose extent of Dean's involvement pending when we have our site visit
 - We received a 50k gift for MESSAGE (large estate endowment)
 - Drew and Eric met with a large donor last week
 - College council – George has agreed to serve (need a faculty vote)
- **Reports and Business**
 - Undergraduate Program (Roe) – Nothing to report
 - Graduate Program (Catling) – Nothing to report
- **Standing Committees**
 - Admissions (Buick) – Nothing to report
 - Computing (Walters) – Nothing to report
 - Curriculum (Gorman-Lewis) – Nothing to report
 - **Diversity** (Huntington)
 - Electronic anonymous [ESS DEI comments box](#) is up
 - Encourage ESS members to take advantage of opportunities to attend [College DEI workshops](#) this quarter
 - Resource and tips for online conference participation - [RISE \(respectful inclusive scientific event\) tips from GSA](#)
 - Mentoring for new faculty that centers DEI
 - MESSAGE (Crider) – Nothing to report
 - Oversight (Bergantz/Winglee) – Nothing to report
 - Prelim (Gorman-Lewis) – Nothing to report
 - Promotion, Merit & Reappointment (Montgomery/Waddington) - Nothing to report
 - Senate (Stone) - Nothing to report
 - Scholarships, Fellowships, and Awards (Condit) – Nothing to report
 - College Council Representation (Bergantz) – Nothing to report
- **Old Business**
- **New Business**
 - Priorities for faculty hiring – can be flexible with FTE (from electrical engineering etc)
 - Eric wants to hear what's on peoples' radar for the next few years

- If we did get another opp this year, what would we do?
 - There is interest in returning to the planetary search
 - Retreat notes: our vision is not changed
 - Send out a survey? Hesitant to do this
 - Versatility
 - Why are these not called department meetings? (we *do* need broad community discussions but this might not be the right forum) Eric welcomes ideas to this question
 - Combined grad community committee updates with this?
- Community/faculty discussion about our Master's degree program (the future – what kind of investments required) – a stepping stone to the PhD? What are opps and costs?

Adjourn – 3:20