

**Department of Earth and Space
Sciences Meeting of the Faculty
Friday, 5/1/2026, 2:30 pm in JHN 170**

OPEN Minutes

[Attendance: Buick, Catling, Crider, Denolle, Duvall, Huntington, Koutnik, Lipovsky, Schmidt, Steig, Stone, Tobin, Walters, Waddington, Winebrenner. Bernard-Kingsley, Campese, Caton, Dakins, Lloyd]

Call to Order - Open Session (2:30 PM)

Announcements

- Accolades:
 - 3 GRFP awardees; Scott Chang, Michael Hemmett, Kyle Nash. 3 honorable mentions.
 - Julia Grossman - Govt Relations Fellowship by Seismological Society of America
 - Husky 100 - Nijah Coleman, BS in Environmental Science, ESS minor, Architecture minor
 - Fangzhen Teng - Humboldt Foundation Award; Cailey Condit - has received tenure!
- A braille version (2 copies) of the 2025 **Between Spheres** magazine is available for loan in the Front Office.
- Digital Accessibility update (Schmidt, 1 min)
 - The federal deadline has been extended by a year. There is ambiguity about the UW Deadline and requirements. We are awaiting clarity. May 6th UPDATE: UW still expects Canvas and websites to achieve 80% compliance this spring.
- Awards Ceremony - Friday May 8 at 3:30 p.m in JHN 102
- GeoClub Spring BBQ - Friday June 5 at 4:30 p.m. in JHN courtyard

Standing Committees Announcements

- Admissions (Gorman-Lewis) - Admissions cycle closed. 5 incoming students.
- Advancement & Engagement
 - The board is meeting in person on May 8. The committee has drafted an updated Board charge letter.
 - ESS will put on an alumni-focused Geology Wine Night in early Fall.
- Colloquium (Denolle/Hungtingon, Caton)
 - If you know a great UW/local speaker, please nominate them! We will be sending out invitations for Autumn quarter this month.
- Computing (Mehra)

- Please let the computing committee know if PIs are looking for (or have already transitioned to) a different research computing support provider.
- Faculty Senate (Walters)
 - Legislation aligning faculty code for UWB and UWT will soon be coming forth for collective faculty votes.
 - Shared other legislation being considered regarding learning outcomes.

Business

- None

Adjourn to Executive Session (2:50 PM)