

## Faculty Meeting Minutes (Open session)

April 17, 2023 | 2:30 - 3:30 pm | Benson Hall, Room 109 – [ZOOM LINK](#)

Attendance:

Meeting start: 2:30pm | Adjourn: 3:30pm

### Faculty Present (blank=absent)

Department Chair, Jim Pfaendtner - Present

Stu Adler	X	Cole DeForest	Sab X	Shachi Mittal	X	Julie Rorrer	X	Neda Bagheri
François Baneyx	X	Hugh Hillhouse	X	Elizabeth Nance	X	Ben Rutz	X	Cao Guozhong
David Beck	X	Vince Holmberg	X	Rene Overney	Sab	Daniel Schwartz	X	Jonathan Posner X
John Berg	X	Samson Jenekhe	X	Lilo Pozzo	X	Eric Stuve	X	
David Bergsman	X			Alexis Prybutok	X			
James Carothers	X	Jorge Marchand	X	Buddy Ratner	Sab			

### Others Present

Debbie Carnes		Dave Drischell	X	Nicole Minkoff	X	Jeremiah Wilhelm	X
		Andrea Gleichweith	X	Barry Wall	X		

### Agenda

- ChemE Chair next steps with Dean Allbritton
- Announcements
- Data Science course updates and vote (Pfaendtner)
- Faculty hiring discussion

### Nancy Allbritton, Dean, College of Engineering

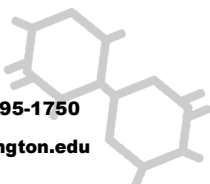
- Steps are being taken to install an “Interim Chair” of the ChemE Department
- Faculty and staff will be involved in the discussion
- We will move quickly, aiming for July/August

### Announcements/Reminders/Updates

- DeForest lab updates:
  - Teresa Rapp (DeForest lab postdoc) has accepted a tenure-track position at the University of Oregon in Chemistry, beginning Fall 2023.
  - DeForest lab has a new paper in Nature Chemistry, with co-first-author former ChemE PhD student Emily
- Chair’s Distinguished Lecture, Cato Laurencin, 4/24

### Data Science Course Update and Faculty Vote

- Original courses were named to align with NRT grant and strong affiliation with CEI. Participation is much



broader, and the description should reflect this.

- NEW: CHEM E 545 Data Science Methods for Molecular Science and Engineering
- NEW: CHEM E 546 Software Engineering for Molecular Science and Engineering

**Motion** made to move change course names and descriptions by Dan Schwartz

**Seconded** by Jorge Marchand

Vote: Unanimous

- Distance Learning (DL) Designation

- Requesting DL designation on existing courses CHEM E 545/546/547 [ChemE DS (Data Science) sequence] / DL = 100%course is completed online.
- Instructors will co-teach an in-person section with a companion DL section.
- DL DS courses are expected to have asynchronous lectures and live office hours / lab / help sessions.

**Motion** made to move forward with ChemE on line Master's Program by Lilo Pozzo

**Seconded** by Stu Adler

Vote: Unanimous

Faculty Hiring (Closed Session)

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