

## Faculty Meeting Minutes (Open session)

December 5, 2022 | 2:30 - 3:30 pm | Benson Hall, Room 109 – [ZOOM LINK](#)

Attendance:

Meeting start: 2:30pm | Adjourn:

### Faculty Present (blank=absent)

Department Chair, Jim Pfaendtner - Present

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

### Others Present

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

### Agenda

- Approval of minutes from 11/21 meeting
- Announcements
- Update on faculty search (Nance)
- Discussion of outcomes for graduate preliminary exams and faculty vote (Hillhouse)
- Foreign talent recruitment programs (Pfaendtner)
- Continued discussion of stipend level for graduate students (Pfaendtner)

### FM Minutes Approval:

**11/21 FM Minutes unanimously approved!**

### Announcements

Owen Lin, a current senior, won a 2nd place poster award at the AiChE annual meeting in Phoenix. The award was in the food, pharma and biotech division. A very cool recognition for the ChemE department and Owen's work!

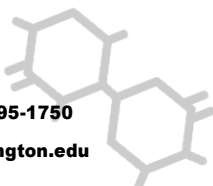
### Faculty Search Update – Committee: Nance (chair), Schwartz, Mittal, Beck, Vashisth (ME)

#### Goal:

Hire the best candidate that will run a primarily computational/theoretical research program, open to all areas of research that strengthen the department's research & teaching portfolio.

154 total applications received by 11/21 EOD (priority deadline)

68 applications were experimental wet lab only, triaged and reviewed by Elizabeth Nance.



= 86 Round 1 applicants

Review timeline set by committee

Round 1 review (86 applicants) completed by 12/6 -> identify candidates (soft target ~30 candidates) for rec letter request

Round 2 review completed by 12/15 -> identify candidates (soft target ~10 candidates) for zoom interviews >>> Target dates for Zoom interviews: 12/19-12/21 -> identify candidates (~4-5) to bring for full on campus interviews

On campus interviews in Winter quarter

**Outcome of Graduate Student Preliminary Exam (Hillhouse)**

All students passed. This led into a series of faculty inquiries regarding the process and rigor of these exams, whether or not PIs should be present, etc.

**Foreign Talent Recruitment Programs (Pfaendtner)**

Reminders:

Foreign talent recruitment programs are back!

Foreign talent programs are defined as “**any foreign-state-sponsored attempt to acquire US scientific-funded research or technology through foreign government-run or funded recruitment programs that target scientists, engineers, academics, researchers, and entrepreneurs of all nationalities working or educated in the United States**”

These may include, “...research and teaching based “opportunities””

Before engaging in any conversations with recruiters from these programs, it is **in your best interests** to have a conversation with the department chair or the OR

See <https://www.washington.edu/research/compliance/foreign-interests-in-sponsored-programs/> for more information

**Stipend Level for Graduate Students (Pfaendtner)**

15 preliminary votes; 5% and 6.66% being the generally favored options.

Pfaendtner proposes motion: “I move the faculty take an electronic vote to decide between 5% and 6.66% for the AY23-24 stipend increase.”

**Motion** is moved by: Dan Schwartz; motion was **seconded** by Elizabeth Nance

Andrea will send out vote after today’s FM.

**Moulton Award (Industry, Academic) and Early Career Award nominations**

Send PP slide for nomination to Andrea. Presentation of nominees will be discussed at February FM

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