

To: CSM Electorate

Members of the CSM College Council:

Dean: Gerald Intemann; **Associate Dean:** Katherine Denniston; **Biology:** Sarah Haines, Vonnie Shields; **Chemistry:** Ryan Casey, Tim Dwyer; **Computer Science:** Songchul Hong, Rajesh Srivastava; **Mathematics:** Wei Sun, Xiaoyin Wang; **Physics, Astronomy, & Geosciences:** Steve Lev, Cody Sandifer; **At Large:** Howard Kaplon (MATH), Jay Nelson (BIOL); **Students:** Tory Johnson (BIOL), Steve Tse (CHEM)

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Member-at-Large of the University Senate: Debra Berlanstein (Library)

MINUTES OF THE CSM COLLEGE COUNCIL MEETING

February 4, 2005

The CSM College Council met in SM 306, at 1:30 PM., Tim Dwyer, Council Chair presiding.

Attendance: Casey, Dwyer, Hong, Intemann, Johnson, Kaplon, Lev, Nelson, Sandifer, Shields, Srivastava, Tse, Wang

Notified Chair of Absence: Haines, Sun

Absent:

1. The Minutes of the Dec. 3 meeting were approved as submitted.
2. Announcements from the Dean
 - There will be a town meeting with President Caret Wed. April 13, 3:00 – 4:00 in SM 264.
 - Towson University was recently awarded an NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates grant for Materials Science.
3. Announcements from the Council Chair:
 - In subsequent meetings we will be discussing the potential changes to University P+T that are being discussed by the Senate
4. Notes from Council members
 - Steve Lev suggested that facilities issues need to be addressed in a future meeting
 - Cody Sandifer said that there have been shortages of in-house laboratory manuals due to printing services providing fewer than the recommended number of items on a regular basis

5. Discussion of issues related to projected enrollment growth.
- One way to encourage growth is to attract students into new programs
 - There is a USM initiative for new professional masters programs
 - USM seeking funding from the Sloan Foundation
 - 1-page proposals needed, submitted from USM in March
 - May expedite program approval if attached to this initiative
 - Possible new programs on the horizon:
 - MS in Actuarial Science and Risk Analysis (Math and Business/Finance)
 - MS in Material Science
 - MS in Science Education (Earth Space Science Track)
 - MS in Biotechnology (in development)
 - Existing programs have been directed to evaluate their growth potential, capacity and demand
 - Several Council members (Nelson, Lev) suggested that access to or acquisition of a field station could help to grow programs in Biology and Environmental Science
 - Collaboration with Center of Marine Biotechnology (COMB) can increase the number of graduate students we can accommodate through research opportunities at their facility

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Casey, Recording Secretary
CSM College Council