

Minutes
Untenured Faculty Organization
Sept. 27, 2012
12:30-1:30PM in HML 4164

Attendance: S. La Porta, K. Eastin, P. Berends, S. van Zyl, T. Haar Farris, M. Anagnostopoulos, A. Fenton, F. Nelson, T. Nguyen

Quorum was met

A. Meeting opened at 12:34pm.

B. Introduction of old and new members

C. Two executive positions were filled with new members:

Teaching Technologies Chair: Fred Nelson (Curriculum and Instruction)

Webmaster: The Nguyen (Chemical Engineering)

D. Plans for our kick-off event at the winery were discussed. Sonet van Zyl was thanked for making the arrangements. Kickoff party will be on Fri. Oct. 5. There will be a tour of winery at 4:30pm, to be followed by a potluck party at 5:15 in the enology conference room. The tour will be limited to the first 30 people who sign up. An invitation will go out along with the sign up request. We also agreed that Patrick and Sonet would look into purchasing wine for the event from either the university market or directly from the winery.

E. Patrick brought up the idea of applying for the innovation mini-grant in order to fund a one-day teaching 'bootcamp'—how to survive your first year at Fresno State—for new faculty who may not have years of experience teaching. Deadline is Oct. 15.

F. TwoTrees brought up the idea of gathering information on general issues that Fresno State teachers may have with the student body, e.g., lack of professional behavior, so that these ways can be found to ameliorate them.

G. We decided to hold the next meeting on Oct. 25, 2012, at 12:30pm. The room is to be announced.

H. Meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.