

Minutes of Faculty Meeting 2/6/2013

Present: Aberbach, Ashbaugh, Casazza, Chicone, Chindris, Christiansen, Dostoglou, Edidin, Gesztesy, Grafakos, Helfer, Himmelberg, Hofmann, Latushkin, Li, Makarov, Mitrea, D, Montgomery-Smith, Morpurgo, Munn, Pang, Pettey, Pivovarov, Qin, Segert, Takeda, Verbitsky, Wang, Weston, Zhang.

Meeting called to order at 4:04 p.m.

Agenda Item 1: Faculty determination of rank order of candidates who interviewed for open tenure-track, assistant professor position.

Yuri Latushkin, search committee chair, summarized the candidates' accomplishments and presented the rank order of candidates recommended by the search committee

1. Martina Chirilus-Bruckner
2. Jared Whitehead
3. Chris Curtis
4. Samuel Walsh

Latushkin moved, Casazza seconded that faculty approve the search committee recommendation.

Following discussion, motion amended to change the rank order to:

1. Martina Chirilus-Bruckner
2. Samuel Walsh
3. Jared Whitehead
4. Chris Curtis

Amendment approved by show of hands.

Amendment moved by Mark Ashbaugh, seconded by Fritz Gesztesy that Whithead and Curtis be removed from consideration.

Amendment failed by show of hands.

Amendment by Fritz Gesztesy, seconded by ?? that Curtis be removed from consideration.

Amendment passed by show of hands.

Original motion of approval of rank order as amended

1. Martina Chirilus-Bruckner
2. Samuel Walsh
3. Jared Whitehead

Approved by show of hands.

Moved and approved by show of hands that, if necessary, offers be made in sequence of the rank order.

Vote on candidates to be held on Friday, February 8. A 2/3 positive vote required for offer (Bylaws)

Agenda Item 2: Proposal by Himmelberg to discontinue 2 postdoc positions and reallocate those funds to hire tenure-track assistant professor to begin Fall Semester 2014. Moved and seconded, Approved by show of hands.

Agenda Item 3: Himmelberg updated faculty on the plan to offer semester-based, on-line College Algebra beginning FS2013. The mathematics department is doing this at the request of Provost/Dean so that Bachelor of General Studies and Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies can be completed entirely on-line. Teri Christiansen is developing the on-line course. Funds are provided by Provost to hire a full-time instructor to deliver the on-line course (successful candidate initially will teach 2 sections of classroom College Algebra also).

Agenda Item 4: Edidin moved and Morpurgo seconded the following motion: Starting in AY2013-14 change Basic Analysis-Math 8220 from a 3-hour class to a 6-hour class, meeting 3 times weekly for 2 hours each time, in every Spring semester. The course content will remain unchanged: Advanced Calculus I, Advanced Multivariable Calculus, Complex Analysis, evenly distributed.

Following discussion, Segert moved, ?? seconded that the change be offered on a trial basis during AY2013-14 and reviewed after that period to determine if the change should be continued.

Amendment passed by show of hands.
Original motion as amended passed by show of hands.

Following discussion on agenda item 4 Dan Edidin, DGS, was requested to solicit information and faculty opinions on graduate course requirements and offerings prior to a faculty meeting later in Spring Semester 2013 to discuss, and possibly act on, changes to the requirements.

Meeting adjourned 5:30 p.m.