FEBRUARY 15, 2016
OSU DESIGN DEPARTMENT
FACULTY MEETING MINUTES

Present: Mary Anne Beecher (presiding), Peter Chan, Scott Denison, Chris Edbrooke, Carol Gill, Polly Graham, Jeff Haase, Noel Mayo, Rebekah Matheny, Susan Melsop, Paul Nini, Maria Palazzi, Liz Sanders, Scott Shim, Brian Stone, Gabe Tippery
Absent: Alan Price (sabbatical)

ACHIEVEMENTS
To be compiled for inclusion on next month’s agenda.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

1. Approval of minutes from previous meetings
   Approval motion made by Paul Nini and Scott Denison seconded.

2. Discursive course evaluation... let’s clarify whether they are required for all courses.
   The department agrees that all courses will make use of these forms in the coming semester and from now on. Copies of an updated form will be emailed to all permanent faculty members. Area coordinators should circulate the discursive form and the process (distribute in class and have a student return in a sealed envelope to the Design office for safe-keeping until after final grades are submitted. Then faculty members, lecturers and GTAs who request them can have them for review. Chris Edbrooke will be the designated staff person who creates an impartial narrative summary of the comments for all assistant professors and any associate professor who requests a summary. These summaries can be useful in tenure reviews and promotion reviews).

3. Graduating student exhibition plans update
   Erika Braun, Kyle Wallace, Renee Chen. Jason Tiberio, Sapna Singh, Shumeng Zhao and Jacinda Walker will possibly finish this semester. Darwin Muljano and David McKenzie will possibly finish summer or autumn. All of these students are eligible to participate in this year’s exhibition. Advisors should inform their advisees of this expectation. Please also remind students that they are to inform the Polly of the date and time of their exam two weeks in advance so that all faculty members can be invited to the event.

4. Committees: progress summary in writing
   a. Recruitment and Promotion is focusing on accessing a broad database of contact information for Ohio high schools.
   b. Design Minor has proposed revisions to three existing courses under the auspices of a new “Design Thinking Minor” with five required courses.
   c. Continuing Ed has concluded that there is a limited market for content provided to design professionals and has forwarded a list of questions to me for consideration before moving forward with any new plans.
NEW BUSINESS

1. Assessment information from Liz Sanders
Liz went to a University-wide conference on assessment. Handout was provided at the meeting. Liz has noted that the expectation is for a departmental assessment committee that would coordinate with the curriculum committee.

GTAs should be involved in assessment & advising be included.

Students should be aware of the program’s learning goals. The rubrics for assignments in courses should reference the learning goals. Assessment should look backward as well as forward.

2. Alumni Advisory Board under development
Mary Anne has been encouraged by Development to set up an Alumni Board. The purpose is to help alumni stay connected to the department and to tap into their expertise for identifying opportunities for professional engagement with the department and to build a culture of philanthropy in our alumni. A charter will be drafted for review at the next meeting.

3. Search update
   a. Two more Animation candidates will be interviewed. Please review the CVs and plan to attend presentations and participate in meals.
   b. A Discovery-Themes funded faculty position in Information Design has been approved.

This position will be shared by Design and ACCAD. Data Visual development is a focus for this position. We may not be able to complete the hire possess this semester but we initiate the search and encourage persons to apply. The search committee will be announced in the coming days.

   c. Spousal accommodation hire: Yvette Shen
Mary Anne Beecher received a request to consider a spousal hire from the college. The applicant’s background is Visual Communication Design. This accommodation seems well qualified to serve as a faculty member in our department and could support the desire to create a minor in visualization. She will be visiting in March and her presentation is scheduled for March 3 from 12-1 pm. Please review her CV and plan to attend.

4. With the new positions and hired focused on areas of visualization (animation, data visualization, information visualization), exploring new interdisciplinary programs seems like an appropriate next step for the department. Mary Anne, Maria and Raghu Machiraju (Computer Science) are collaborating to develop and propose a Visualization Specialization for the Data Analytics major, an Information Visualization Minor, and perhaps a future non-professional degree in Visualization. All of these areas of study would rely on courses provided by Design, ACCAD, Computer Science and other constituencies, as appropriate. The college is very enthusiastic in their support for this idea.
GRADUATE STUDIES
Carol passed out handouts of the two spreadsheets she created to summarize information about the highest rated applicants from each program track in SlideRoom. Faculty reviewed each applicant with only one person who expressed an interest in advising the following students will be approached for phone/Skype interviews:

DRD:
Two fellowship nominees: Caroline Win, Julianne Lipman.
Eun Jung Paik, Yangyang Yang, Grae Prickett, Yiyun Xu, Erxuan Xu, and Jing Sun-(add advisors-Haase & Gill). Mengyi Zhang and Yijia He will both be Waitlisted.

DAIM:
Maryann Landlord, Davin Ens (add advisor-Stone), Jaepil Jeong-(add advisor-Stone), Jun Jen Yeh (add advisor-Haase), Stacey Sherrick, Bruce Evans, Kevin Bruggeman, and Breanne Butters. Laura Jung, Ming Tao and Shuang You will be Waitlisted.

Interviews need to be set up and completed with the next couple weeks and completed no later than February 29th. Interviews will be set up with the above applicants with the exception of Stacey Sherrick, Bruce Evans and the two fellowship nominees.

MISC. ITEM
Emily Wiggins want to donate a Cannon W8400D printer to our department. It similar to the plotter. Can be used with a USB or internet access. Maybe not have it available to students like the other printers in 208. It could be placed in 120. Faculty agreed that we should accept this gift.

UPCOMING MEETINGS
2/15 Departmental Faculty Meeting/ Graduate Applications Meeting
2/22 Faculty presentation by Kyoung Swearingen
2/29 Faculty presentation by Christy Heyob
3/4 Faculty presentation by Yvette Shen
3/7 Committee meetings
3/21 Department Faculty Meeting
3/28 Graduate Studies Committee Meeting

MEETING ADJOURNMENT
At 11:35am Jeff Haase made a motion to adjourn and Rebekah Matheny seconded.