EESB Spring 2021 Meeting
October 15, 2021
9:00 – 12:00 CST
(Trowbridge and ZOOM only)
10:00 – 10:30 Roll Call, Agenda Overview, Chair Opening Remarks (Sullivan)
  • Welcome Kate Tierney! – Thank You to Brad Cramer!
  • Review October 2020 Minutes and Actions (Burkart)

10:30 – 11:15 EESB “Call to Board Service”
Nomination Committee (Sullivan, Burkart, Phillips, Maas, Schutter)
  • Review member terms for succession planning
  • EESB members departing after October 2021
Officer and Committee Chair Elections
  • Election of New Secretary for October 2021 Meeting
  • Election of Nominating Committee Chair
  • Elect Alumni Outreach Chair
Committee Membership Refresh & Commitment
  • Fund Raising, Nominating, Alumni Outreach, Mentoring
  • Triennial Alumni Day “Committee”

11:15 – 11:30 Department Update – Current Challenges (David Peate)
  • CLAS, New Department Secretary
  • Department history on website
Agenda (2 of 2)

11:30 – 12:00  Alumni Outreach (Schutter, Sullivan)
   • 2021 DAA: Recipient: Ron Blakey
   • All Alumni Day – The Triennial!: To be held October 2021
   • Determine Triennial Alumni Day Committee

12:00 – 12:20  Mentoring Committee (Ririe, Swanson)
   • Confirming alumni mentors

12:20 – 12:40  EES Funding Initiative Update (Peate, Tierney, Blind)
   • Coordination with Center for Advancement

12:40 – 13:00  Any Other Business (AOB)
   • Confirm action items for minutes (Burkart)
   • Final Comments (All)

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NOTE: Departmental Seminar 3:30 CDT via ZOOM

10/15/2021  Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences  geology@uiowa.edu
Department Update (Peate)

- CLAS – Ashton Prairie funding
- Department history on website
Review April 2021 Action Items (Burkart) (green = done or progress made)

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Review April 2021 Action Items

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2021 Call to EESB Service!

Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences
Nomination Committee – Board Membership Update

• In Oct. 2021 Leon Aden, Mike Burkart, Jennifer Wade will depart after one term. Thank You for your service over the last 3 years! We know they will continue to be support EES. We will celebrate in October.

• Also in Oct. 2021 Grant Smith and Steve Schutter will depart after 2 terms on the board. Thank You too! We will celebrate in October!

• Lee will start term as Chair

• Jim Eagan and Aaron Suzuki are new board members

• Richard Denne, Lee Philips, Liz Maas and Todd Ririe have agreed to second terms through Oct. 2024

• Rob, Rhawn, Melissa and Noah first term ends Oct. 2023
Nomination Committee Update

- Minimum on board is 8, maximum is 15, currently 11
- (Denne, Decker, Denniston, Eagan, Evans, Maas, Phillips, Ririe, Stern, Suzuki, Sullivan)
- After October 2021 meeting will be 10 voting members
- Current committee: Maas, Phillips, Sullivan (non-voting)
- Nominating Committee Chair must be filled
- New committee members needed
- Board website needs to be updated ASAP
Office Elections and Committee Chair Vacancies

- Bylaws indicate officers may be self-nominated or nominated by the board
  - *Chair Elect must be filled at this meeting*
- Fund Raising – Needs formal Chair, time for committee to really act
- Nominating – Needs formal Chair, Amy led informally since 2018
- Mentoring – Todd is Chair
- Alumni Outreach – New Chair needed with Steve stepping down
Alumni Outreach Chair Responsibilities

From the By Laws:
**Article VI: Committees**
c. The Alumni Outreach Committee will organize and maintain systems for regular communication among alumni and EESD faculty and students, assist in the selection of the Distinguished Alumni Award, and plan the Alumni Day as part of triennial meetings. ([https://clas.uiowa.edu/ees/alumni-and-friends/ees-alumni-board/documents](https://clas.uiowa.edu/ees/alumni-and-friends/ees-alumni-board/documents))

Our charge is to alert the alumni to what the EESD (faculty and students) are up to, and how the alumni can participate and support the department when possible. As much as anything, we are primarily concerned with the appropriate publicity, and secondarily look for opportunities to benefit the alumni, as well as the faculty and students of the EESD.

Supports the Triennial Alumni Day
Investigates alternative ways to communicate with alumni
Mentoring Committee Update (Ririe, Swanson, Forbes)

• Progress to Date –

• Mentoring and the 2020-2021 Careers Course

• Training for Mentors on current University Policies to support the Careers Course
EES Funding Initiative Update (Blind, Peate)

• Fund Raising Committee (FRC) objectives, targets and dates
  • Meeting cadence (recommend monthly)
  • Builds trust, common language, get to know issues, info share
  • Philanthropic network building (recommend monthly)
  • Develop consistent 2-way alliance with Adam and the Center for Advancement

• FRC (Sullivan, Denne, Maas) welcome new members
  • Solicit new members for Fund Raising Committee

• Adam Blind October 2020 summary:
  • Center for Advancement is developing a 8-yr plan to be public in 2022. CLAS goal likely to be $2MM. EES has accumulated $1.2MM starting in 2018 and has possible $5MM goal. Funding priorities: field camp, field rips, field research, funded grad assistantships, student technology, new or expanded building

No Action has happened since Oct. 2020.
Chair’s Main Messages

2021 will be a very good year for EES and EESB!!

- Board has a full compliment – we can pick up where Covid stalled actions
- All Alumni Day – The Triennial - To be held October 2021
- Another great DAA selection!

But it’s a year of transition! Hence the “Call to EESB Service!”

- Lee will take the Chair at the October 2021 meeting
- Secretary and Alumni Outreach Chair Positions will be vacated in October
- New members will start to contribute to committees
- ... and Board membership will drop to 9 (8 voting) if no action taken

- As we go through our meeting make Your Commitment to Contribute
Any Other Business (All)

- Confirm action items for minutes (Denniston)
- Final Comments (All)