



# Meeting Minutes of the Department of Physics

Wednesday, March 7, 2012 | 5310 Chamberlin Hall

The meeting was called to order by Bob Joynt, Department Chair at 12:15 PM with 25 voting members present.

## Action Items Approved

### 1. Announcements

- Congratulations to Maxim Vavilov whose tenure case was approved by L&S.
- Congratulations to Karsten Heeger's student Walter Pettus and Mark Saffman's student Also Alex Carr on being selected to participate in this year's Lindau Nobel Laureate meeting.
- Physics student Prospective Grad Visits are scheduled for March 9 and March 23
- Faculty reception will be held at 5:30 on Friday at the Fluno Center.
- Physics student awards deadline is March 15, 2012 at 4:00 PM Central Time. Got to <http://www.physics.wisc.edu/awards/> for more information.
- Spring Break is the week of April 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>.

### 2. Chair Preferential Ballot

- The preferential ballot for the department chair for academic year 2012-13 was taken.

### 3. Alumni Awards

- Eric Braaten, Allan Caldwell, Ron Lockwood, and Gary Hill have been nominated for Distinguished Alumni Awards. Robertson Leach has been nominated for Distinguished Service Award. (Vote: A motion was made to approve the nominations 1<sup>st</sup> by Halzen | 2<sup>nd</sup> Coppersmith | Approved by unanimous voice vote).

### 4. Closed Meeting

- Closed meeting to discuss personnel matters—pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c).  
**Closed to all but Associate Professors and Full Professors**

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