



The meeting was called to order by Bob Joynt, Department Chair at 12:15 PM with 21 voting members present.

#### Action Items Approved

- Delegation of Authority was passed: to chair for supplies and capital expenditures; to salary committee for recommendations on salary; and to full professors for recommendations on promotion for full professors.
- Physics Council vote was approved: Dasu and Terry both voted in for 2-year terms.

#### 1. Announcements

- **The Qualifier**—Saturday, September 15, 2012
- **Sabbatical Requests for the 2013-14 Academic Year**—Due to Aimee on September 10, 2012. More information can be found at: <http://www.ohr.wisc.edu/grants/facsabblvprog.html>
- **Research Service Grants**—Due to Aimee on September 17, 2012. For more information: <http://www.ohr.wisc.edu/grants/>.
- **Faculty Development Grants**—Due to Aimee by September 21, 2012. For more information: <http://www.ohr.wisc.edu/grants/>.

#### 2. Delegation of Authority

- To the Chair for supplies and capital expenditures. (Vote: 1<sup>st</sup> Joynt | 2<sup>nd</sup> Lawler | Approved by unanimous voice vote).
- To the Salary Committee for recommendations on salaries. (Vote: 1<sup>st</sup> Joynt | 2<sup>nd</sup> Lawler | Approved by unanimous voice vote).
- To full professors for recommendations on promotion to full professor. (Vote: 1<sup>st</sup> Joynt | 2<sup>nd</sup> Lawler | Approved by unanimous voice vote).

#### 3. Physics Council

- Dasu and Terry have been nominated to serve on the Department of Physics Council for a two-year term. (Vote: Approved by paper ballot).

#### 4. Enrollment

- Enrollment numbers are increasing. Currently there are 3,193 students enrolled in Physics courses, this is a 13% change from last year. Many of the introductory courses are full. There are waiting lists for most of the introductory courses but we anticipate that most students will be served (or could be served by opening at times that are not ideal for the student).

#### 5. Faculty Lounge

- The remodel of the faculty lounge is moving forward. The lounge will be in room 5294 Chamberlin Hall.

#### 6. Matters Arising

- New department computing staff Jes Tikalsky and recently hired Chad Seys were introduced.
- The Board of Visitors meeting will be held on September 21, 2012 at the WID.
- Hiring update: Justine Vandenbroucke has been hired as an assistant professor in Experimental Neutrino and Astroparticle physics. He will be on leave for 2012-13 academic year. Yang Bai has been hired as an assistant professor in Theoretical high energy physics. An offer from Plasma Theory was made to Hanto Ji. He has declined the offer. A hiring request has been made to the dean's office: to continue the plasma search and for two additional entry-level positions.
- The critical compensation fund will make it possible for faculty to get a raise. The University has established eligibility requirements and will provide a list of the people that are up for review. 18 people will be reviewed this fall. One third more will be reviewed in the spring, and the remaining one-third in the fall.