

## Faculty Meeting

November 4, 2019

DSL 499 2:30 - 3:30p.m.

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Present: Peter Beerli, Gordon Erlebacher, Chen Huang, Tomek Plewa, Bryan Quaife, Sachin Shanbhag, Xiaoqiang Wang

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1. Minutes from the October meeting were approved.
2. Key findings from Dr. Athey's report were highlighted. The department should develop a plan to increase the faculty over the next three to five years. There will be a replacement for Dennis Slice. With the addition of the M.S. in Data Science the hope is to hire two more faculty members.
3. There should be a real effort to increase the undergraduate population to 100 students and the graduate population to 75.
4. It is time to evaluate and redo the department bylaws.
5. Ashley Gannon is working on a proposal for a one-week summer camp for disadvantaged, local high school students. She is working with Ellen Granger in the FSU-Teach Program to write a grant.
6. There are 12 TA's for spring 2020. Gordon's grant with COPA Air is almost approved. This will help with funding for our TA's.
7. The guidelines/timelines for Ph.D. students should be enforced more consistently. In the first two years there will be only written yearly evaluations. In fall of year two, the candidates, if written and oral exams are passed, will be admitted to candidacy and should find committee members. In fall of year three the Ph.D. students should defend the prospectus. In year three forward there will be a yearly meeting with committee members. The candidate will give a brief talk regarding his research and receive feedback from the committee members. This meeting is an additional component to the yearly written progress report.
8. The status of the fourth floor men's bathroom was discussed as to reasons that it is constantly broken.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30.