

March SUPD Minutes

Thursday, March 5. Noon. MSOB X303

Secretary: Will Grissom

0. Introductions

- a. Welcome/Background of SUPD
- b. Self introductions

1. Standing Agenda Items

- a. Distribution of The Voice Newsletter
 - i. Email and Website
 - ii. Handed out copies for distribution
- b. Election of new council members
 - i. Scott Young
 - ii.
- c. Report from the Co-Chairs

- i. SoM Faculty Senate Update

1. Voting rights of ex-officio members was taken away
 2. Senate agrees that they should focus on postdoc affairs
 3. PI's can be resistant to changes that come from provost

advisory committee, so faculty senate is a more democratic means of recommending policy changes

4. Chair of Senate has been barrier

5. Should we organize sit-in?

- a. Would need a coherent message

- b. We want an engaged group of faculty who are

interested in postdoc affairs

- c. Need more faculty input on making effective

change

- d. 'Hello my name is...' Postdoc

- e. 'We are here to hear the taskforce report'

- f. Need to keep postdoc community informed on

progress (send emails to supd-members list)

- ii. Chequeta & the Postdoc Stimulus Plan (for next meeting)

- iii. UC Postdoc Union

2. Old Business

- a. SUPD e-mail list (Nick: public postings & use policy)

3. New Business

- a. SUPD Goals

- i. Some history of SUPD

- ii. List of grievances has been largely static since first SUPD push

- b. Ideas for high-profile activities (Top Secret)

- c. Mentoring Awards

- i. Faculty Adviser
 - ii. Payment to Previous Winners
 - iii. Advertisement
 - d. Survey
 - i. Final Draft Presentation/Feedback
 - ii. Implementation
 - e. Social Committee: coordination & communication
- 4. Summary of Action Items
 - a. Write up history of interactions re: administration interactions to send to list.
 - b. Start sending out monthly? Emails with co-chair progress updates.
 - c. Advertising mentoring award
 - i. Patti can help with it?