



Department Faculty Meeting
Friday, April 4, 2025, 2:30pm

Location: Denny 213, remote option on Zoom: <https://washington.zoom.us/j/99953498447>

Attendance

Voting-eligible faculty (23): Ahmad, Atkins, Bhowmik, Cao, Chandekar, Cho, Choi, Dubrow, Handel, Iwata, J. Kim, Lu, Ma, Mack, Marino, Matsuda-Kiami, Nazry, Pauwels, Rominger, Sandjaja, Takeda, Wang, Yu

Others present (4): Uma Attota, Binata Chowdhuri, Vishnupriya Goswami, Nielson Hul

Agenda

I. **Call to Order**

II. **Vote:** Approval of Minutes (March) (*standing item*; Handel) 2:30-2:35.

- Approved.

III. **Announcements** (*standing item*; Handel) 2:35-2:45

- Upcoming events and talks were briefly introduced.
- Federal policy changes and local impacts (Title VI Centers: East Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia). Recent developments and their impacts on faculty, students and staff are briefly reported.

IV. **Updates** (*standing item*) 2:45-3:00

- Graduate admissions and financial support.
 - o Zev reported on behalf of Kirk who is out sick. 110 applications, 41 to ALC, 34 to Chinese, 25 to Japanese, 8 to South Asia and 2 to Buddhist studies
- Search for Assistant Professor of Telugu. (Handel provided an update. The negotiation is still ongoing.)
- Search for Department Administrator. (Handel provided an update. There is a pause on hiring but the department has submitted a request for an exception through the college.)
- Search for Department Chair. (Matsuda-Kiami provided a brief update. The committee has completed its interviews in the department.)

V. **Update and Discussion:** By-Laws Committee (Pauwels) 3:00-3:45.

- A summary of the discussion on this topic and thoughts from the committee were provided.
- Options for “executive committee” were presented and discussed.

VI. **Discussion (if time):** Department budgets and new spending restrictions (Handel) 3:45-4:00

- Handel provided a summary of the various endowments the department current has, along with their restrictions.

VII. Adjournment *4:03pm*