DoF Activity

Charlie Van Loan
October 2016
Ad Hoc Committee on the Calendar

Becky Stoltzfus  Vice Provost Undergraduate Education, co-chair
Charlie Van Loan  Dean of Faculty, co-chair
Mary Beth Grant  Dean of Students Office
Betsy East  Assistant Dean for Student Services, Engineering
Marianella Casasola  Human Development, CHE
Tom Fox  Molecular Biology and Genetics, CALS
Rob Thorne  Physics, EPC, CAS
Greg Eells  Gannett Health Services
Cassie Dembosky  University Registrar
Marin Clarkburg  Institutional Planning and Research
Undergraduates  2 SA Members
Graduate Students  1 GPSA member
Employees  1 EA member
Calendar Committee

Major Issues

- Positioning of the February Break
- Late ending of the Spring semester

Timeline

- Fall: Gather data, solicit views across campus, discuss principles
- Spring: Proposal to Senate by April (or earlier)
- Final recommendation to Provost by May (or earlier)
Ad Hoc Committee on the Transition to Emeritus

Kevin Hallock  Dean, ILR
Barbara Baird  Associate Dean, Arts and Sciences
Ron Ehrenberg  Professor, ILR
Elaine Wethington  Professor, Human Development
Linda Nozick  Professor and Director, Civil & Env Eng
George Huddler  Professor Emeritus (Plant Science)
Judith Reppy  Professor Emerita (Science and Technology Studies)
Charles Van Loan  Professor Emeritus (Computer Science), Chair
Charles Walcott  Professor Emeritus (Neurobiology and Behavior)
Ad Hoc Committee on the Transition to Emeritus

Yael Levitte  Associate Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Diversity

Mary Opperman  Vice President, Human Resources

Sandy Dhimitri  Director of Human Resources, Human Ecology

Cynthia Robinson  Cornell Association of Professors Emeritus
Transition to Emeritus Committee

Tasks

Look at all aspects of the promotion-to-emeritus process in the Colleges and suggest improvements. Develop promotion guidelines for the Faculty Handbook.

Timeline

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Spring: Proposal to Senate via AFPS by March (or earlier)
Final recommendation to Provost by April (or earlier)
Senate Committee Activity

Educational Policy Committee
  What is a credit hour?

Faculty Committee on Program Review
  Steps developed to ensure more timely processing.

Committee on Academic Freedom & Professional Status of Faculty
  Reviewing SA 57 (Towards an Inclusive Learning Experience)

  Reviewing GPSA 7 (Supervisor-Student Relationships)
Brief Preview of things to Come

Smoke Free Campus Discussion
There have been presentations in the other assemblies

Bureaucracy Working Group
Physics, Economics, Government, Astronomy are participating

Carbon Neutrality on Campus by 2035
Senior leaders Climate Action Group Report is Out
Campus Security

Joanne Destefano, Executive Vice President and CFO
and
Ryan Lombardi, Vice President for Student and Campus Life

Update on Various Issues that Surround Campus Security
Resolution to Rebrand the Cornell Plantations

Jeffrey Doyle. Professor, Plant Biology Section, School of Integrative Plant Science

Alan Collmer. Andrew J. and Grace B. Nichols Professor, School of Integrative Plant Science

Christopher Dunn. Professor, Horticulture Section, School of Integrative Plant Science, and E. N. Wilds Director of Cornell Plantations
Cornell Plantations ➔ Cornell Botanic Gardens

- Thomas Björkman (SIPS, Horticulture Section)
- Walter DeJong (SIPS, Plant Breeding & Genetics Section)
- Jeff Doyle (At-Large)
- Melanie Filiatrault (SIPS, Plant Pathology & Plant-Microbe Biology Section)
- Maureen Hanson (Molecular Biology & Genetics)
- Robert Howarth (Ecology & Evolutionary Biology)
- Ron Hoy (Neurobiology & Behavior)
- Andre Kessler (Ecology & Evolutionary Biology)
- Carmen Enid Martínez (SIPS, Soil and Crop Science Section)
- Michael Mazourek (At-Large)
- Linda Nicholson (Molecular Biology & Genetics)
- Gregory Page (Art)
- John Sipple (At-Large)
- Charlie Walcott (CAPE)
- Stephen Winans (Microbiology)

Sponsors:
The “Whereas” Part

2004: First questioning of the name “Cornell Plantations”

2009-10: Consultants look at logo, rebranding

2014-15: Dr. Christopher Dunn begins Directorship and leads rebranding discussion among stakeholders.

October 2015: More strategic planning

November 2015: Renaming Plantations among demands by Black Students United

December 2015: Online survey reveals that 70-75% of respondents felt the name “Cornell Plantations” did not fit its identity or mission.
The Resolution

Be it therefore resolved, that the Faculty Senate encourages the Board of Trustees to approve the proposed name change of Cornell Plantations to “Cornell Botanic Gardens” at their October 2016 board meeting, so that Cornell’s botanic gardens, arboretum and natural areas may be represented by a more relevant name, and thus reach broader audiences.