

**ANDREW YOUNG SCHOOL OF POLICY STUDIES**  
**Fall Faculty Meeting**  
**December 4, 2006**

**MINUTES**

**Attendees:**

James Alm	Harvey Newman
Roy Bahl	Lloyd Nigro
Spencer Banzhaf	Klara Peter
Carolyn Bourdeaux	David Pitts
Jim Cox	Inas Rashad
Bill Doerr	Avani Raval
Robert Eger	Jon Rork
Sue Fagan	Greg Streib
Paul Farnham	Todd Swarthout
Paul Ferraro	Laura Taylor
Shelby Frost	Erdal Tekin
Eunice Heredia	John Thomas
Bill Kahnweiler	Andrey Timofeev
Bruce Kaufman	Geoffrey Turnbull
Janelle Kerlin	Eric Twombly
Yuriy Kitsul	Tom Wade
Glenn Landers	Sally Wallace
Greg Lewis	Katherine Willoughby
Jorge Martinez	Dennis Young
Bob Moore	

**I. Old Business**

Dean Bahl called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. The minutes of the Summer Meeting 2006 meeting were presented to the faculty and were unanimously approved.

**II. Presentations**

**A. Introduction of New People**

Jim Alm introduced the new faculty members who joined the Economics Department.

Jon Rork, who obtained his Ph.D. from Stanford in 1999, joined the Andrew Young School as an assistant professor from Vassar College where he was a faculty member for six years. His research areas are in issues of

interjurisdictional competition, the economics of state gaming and state lotteries, and the economics of the elderly.

H. Banzhaf Spencer who received his Ph.D. from Duke, joins the Andrew Young School as an associate professor. Prior to coming here he was a fellow at Resources for the Future in Washington, D.C. His area of focus is in environmental economics and policy analysis.

Vjollca Sadiraj who was a visiting assistant professor in the department, joins the school as a tenure-track assistant professor in the Department of Economics. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Amsterdam. Her areas of specialty are in experimental economics, microeconomics and game theory, public economics, and decision theory.

Paul Kagundu, who graduated from the Andrew Young School with a Ph.D in Economics during the Spring will be a visiting assistant professor in the department. He will primarily teach the Global Economy courses.

Todd Swarthout who received his Ph.D. from the University of Arizona joined the Economics Department and the Experimental Economics Center during the summer. He will be a research assistant professor of economics, and operations director for the Experimental Economics Center.

Wayne Thirsk joins the school as a visiting research professor with the International Studies Program. He is a public finance economist with extensive practical and academic experience.

Greg Streib introduced new faculty members and research associates that joined the Public Administration and Urban Studies department.

Janelle Kerlin joins the department as an assistant professor. She received her Ph.D. from Syracuse University and her specialties lie in social enterprise, international nonprofit organizations and nonprofit/government relations. Prior to joining the school, she was a research associate at The Urban Institute in Washington, D.C.

Tom Wade joins the Public Performance Management Group as director of program development. Tom was the State's chief information officer, and executive director of the Georgia Technology Authority (GTA). Tom will help develop resources and solutions to assist public administrators strengthen strategic and operational performance.

Glenn Landers introduced three new staff members that have joined the Georgia Health Policy Center.

Stacy Willocks joined the Georgia Health Policy Center as a research associate to work on improving community healthcare systems to meet residents' needs for better healthcare access and improved health outcomes.

Amanda Phillips Martinez joined the Georgia Health Policy Center as a research associate to work on community health programs.

Dawud Ujamaa joined the Georgia Health Policy Center as a data analyst/research associate. Dawud worked as a graduate research assistant in the center while he was completing his master degree in mathematics at Georgia State University.

Sally Wallace introduced researchers who joined the Fiscal Research Center.

Rob Salvino a graduate student in the economics program will be working as a research associate in the Fiscal Research Center with Ken Heaghey on forecasting issues.

Nara Monkam a graduate student in the economics program will be working as a research associate in the Fiscal Research Center working on education policy projects.

Nicola Tasic a graduate student in the economics program will be working as a research associate in the Fiscal Research Center on a variety of different projects.

Robert Moore introduced the school's new development director, Bill Doerr. Bill comes to the Andrew Young School from Oglethorpe University where he was a development director. He has an MPA from Columbus State.

## **B. Dean's Report**

Dean Bahl reported that the budget for the upcoming fiscal year looks good. The targeted credit hours are at 292,000 for the spring semester. The University is optimistic that students will register for 307,000 credit hours for the Spring Semester.

At the college level, AYS is down 23%. However, the school's students have been notoriously late in registering, and we should be on par with last Spring.

The School's next Briefing will be our 10-year Anniversary Issue, marking the 10 years as the Andrew Young School at Georgia State. This issue will showcase our experience as well as our ascent in the rankings of policy schools.

Dean Bahl also touched on the importance of faculty recruiting. Every faculty member should try to get involved in recruiting, whether it be working on the committees, checking references, or attending the seminars. Everyone needs to be

involved, and not just in their own departments. For example, this Friday, Sarah Markowitz will be interviewing and she has an interesting seminar topic which should appeal to both departments, and to the research centers.

Dean Bahl mentioned that Harvey Newman was named as a recipient of the Georgia State University Torch of Peace Award. The award will be giving during the Martin Luther King celebration week of events in January.

Dean Bahl mentioned that he went to see the President on security issues. With the rash of violence against student in the downtown area, something needed to be done, especially near the Andrew Young School building. The President promised that there would be a greater visible presence of uniformed Georgia State University Police Officers around campus. A uniformed officer will be posted at the corner of Peachtree and Decatur as well as at the corner of Wall Street and Peachtree to deter any possible crimes.

Dean Bahl mentioned that the Annual Christmas/Holiday Open House at his place is scheduled for Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. The invitations/flyers should be in your mailboxes. Hopefully all of you can attend.

### **C. Report from the Departments**

Jim Alm reported that the Economics Department would be hiring for four different positions. A nontenure-track clinical assistant professor who will focus on teaching. A tenure-track position in labor/health. A tenure track position – any field. A senior faculty member for the Usery Chair in Labor.

Dean Bahl mentioned that Mr. Usery will be a part of the Andrew Young School, and will have a title of Distinguished Executive Fellow in Labor Policy.

Greg Streib reported that the PAUS Department is currently in the middle of a faculty search for one position. The last of the interviews/site visits is scheduled for tomorrow. There have been four good candidates so far.

### **D. Development Report – Bill Doerr**

Bill Doerr started off by saying that this was day #13 for him at the Andrew Young School. Bill mentioned what he expects in terms of development from faculty and research associates:

1. Support what we(Andrew Young School) are doing.
2. Keep the Development Officer informed.
3. Share stories about research, classes and students.
4. Push Bill, tell him what you are working on.
5. Patience. Development is about building relationships.

Bill Doerr explained what he would do as the School's Development Director:

1. Work hard.
2. Focus on the Andrew Young School and its units.
3. Will be the Champion of Andrew Young School.
4. Will stick to deadlines which will translate into success.

Bill Doerr also mentioned that with Dean Bahl stepping down as the Founding Dean of the School, planning should begin on an endowment that would showcase his legacy. We would be able to tie in such endowment planning with the overall Georgia State Campaign.

#### **E. State Charitable Contributions Program (SCCP) Report – Laura Taylor**

Laura Taylor reported on the State Charitable Contributions Program. The Andrew Young School had a contribution rate of 93%. A total of \$16,000 was collected.

#### **F. Georgia State University Senate Report – Shelby Frost**

Shelby Frost gave an update to activities in the Georgia State University Senate. Shelby mentioned that the minutes of the October 2006 meeting were online if anyone wanted detailed information. The next senate meeting is scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Shelby Frost mentioned that modifications were made to the summer calendar. The exam schedule had been compressed. The senate also was working on changes to the hardship withdrawal procedure. The senate was working on an update to the Regents Writing Skills test. The budget committee was working on change in distributions to the ORP Retirement Plan.

#### **G. Other**

Dean Bahl mentioned that on December 11<sup>th</sup>, the Andrew Young School will be hosting a roundtable discussion with Andrew Young and Paul Wolfowitz and he will be the moderator. The discussion will revolve around the strategies of the World Bank.

Greg Lewis wanted to know how the roundtable was orchestrated. Did the School approach Paul Wolfowitz, or did he approach the school? Greg Lewis mentioned that he felt uncomfortable about bringing Paul Wolfowitz to campus.

Dean Bahl asked other if they had questions related to the roundtable? Inas Rashad asked who initiated the invitation? Inas Rashad mentioned that with Paul Wolfowitz's involvement in the Bush Administration and a key figure in the invasion of Iraq, she felt uncomfortable having him on campus, especially in dealing with ethics, since she teaches ethics in her class.

Jim Cox mentioned that being a university where freedom of thought and expression are valued, we should not restrict a speaker just because of what he may or may not have been involved in.

Jorge Martinez mentioned that we should at least listen to Paul Wolfowitz and see what he has to say.

Greg Streib mentioned that he was looking forward to hearing what Paul Wolfowitz was going to say.

Roy Bahl mentioned that he is aware of the concerns from individuals. First of all Paul Wolfowitz agreed to come to Atlanta at the invitation of The Temple (Jewish Synagogue) where he would be a keynote speaker. As a result, Ambassador Young spoke to Paul Wolfowitz and ask him to extend his stay by one day, and to speak about the World Bank and its reform programs to students at Georgia State. Georgia State University also has a significant grant funded by the World Bank to work in Ghana. In discussions with Paul Wolfowitz, he said that there are no restrictions on the topic of discussion. Paul Wolfowitz's main focus at the World Bank is on corruption.

The event will be an invitation only of faculty, staff, students, and guests from the community. The roundtable will be in our seminar room, and the room holds 130. There will be time for question and answers at the end of the session.

Carolyn Bourdeaux commented that he has not been held accountable for the actions in Iraq while he was in the Bush Administration.

Dean Bahl mentioned that there will be a time for question and answer at the roundtable.

### **III. New Business**

#### **A. Approval of Candidates for Fall Graduation – Sue Fagan**

The candidate list was presented to the faculty prior to the meeting. A motion was made to approve the list. The motion was seconded and the list was unanimously approved.

## **B. Academic Programs Committee – Paul Farnham**

The APC Committee recommends approval of the proposals listed. The motion was presented to the School faculty for a vote. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. For more detailed information, please see handouts.

## **D. Elections**

### **Triennial Evaluation Elections**

Triennial Evaluation for the Associate Provost for Academic Program (Bill Fritz). Laura Taylor was nominated by Paul Ferraro; the motion was seconded and unanimously elected by the faculty.

Triennial Evaluation for the Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness (Joan Carson). Harvey Newman was nominated by Greg Streib; the motion was seconded and unanimously elected by the faculty.

Triennial Evaluation for the Vice President for External Affairs (Tom Lewis). Dennis Young was nominated by Greg Streib; the motion was seconded and unanimously elected by the faculty.

Triennial Evaluation for the Vice President for Research (Robin Morris). Susan Laury was nominated by Sally Wallace; the motion was seconded and unanimously elected by the faculty.

## **E. Announcements**

Dean Bahl reminded faculty that the Roundtable with Paul Wolfowitz and Ambassador Young is scheduled for Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the Andrew Young School Seminar Room.

Dean Bahl also announced that there will be a reception for Andrew Young School graduates and their families following the commencement exercises on December 16<sup>th</sup> in the AYS Building lobby.

## **F. Dean's Search**

Jim Alm reported on the Dean's Search. Three names were submitted to the Provost and the President. Out of the three names, the President and Provost are in discussion with Eugenia Toma from the University of Kentucky. She is planning on coming back to Atlanta to meet with Associate Dean Moore, Center Directors as well as the President and Provost. There will also be a meeting with Eugenia Toma and the Economics Faculty this coming Thursday.

Paul Ferraro asked if she is meeting with the President and Provost, she is the front runner? The answer is yes.

Jim Cox asked about the other candidates. Jim Alm answered that it depended on the outcome of Eugenia Toma's visit and discussions with the President and Provost.

Associate Dean Moore reported that Dean Bahl is retiring and stepping down as Dean and that he will still be a faculty member in the School. He is not retiring from the University.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.