

# Minutes

of the Physics Department meeting  
held on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 4:00 pm via Webex

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Present: Bob Benjamin, Abdelkrim Boukahil, Juliana Constantinescu, Tom Hall, John Klinger, Jalal Nawash, Steven Sahyun, Martin Tchernookov, Ozgur Yavuzcetin

1. Call to order at 4:05 pm
2. Old Business
  - a. Approval of minutes from February 10, 2020. Benjamin/Constantinescu moved approval.
3. New Business
  - a. Discussion of Inside Higher Ed/APS article at:  
<https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2021/02/10/physicists-discuss-threats-facing-departments-and-how-faculty-can-respond>
    - i. EP3 Toolkit link: <https://ep3guide.org/toolkit>
  - b. Physics Website development: <http://webqa.uww.edu/cls/departments/physics/physics-test#Home>
    - i. Good templates: [UW- Oshkosh](#), [UW-Eau Claire](#), [Marketing](#):
    - ii. Make the Web site more personable.
    - iii. Find best internal page, best external page. Content items. Submit items to Physics Google drive. Benjamin and Tchernookov.
    - iv. Statement to send to councilors.
    - v. For Next Week: Update each Personal Profile Page, include pictures and videos.
    - vi. Next week's meeting: Show and tell updated Profile Pages.
    - vii. Focus for rest of the semester: updating the Web site.
    - viii. Ideas for 190: Hyflex students from high school. Hyflex guest speakers.
    - ix. Department Web site tutorial.
  - c. Physics Advisory Council – Sahyun will send an email for recommendations of who to include.
4. Announcements
  - a. Chair's Announcements:
    - i. Announcements will be emailed.
  - b. Other Announcements
    - i. There is a Recruiting Workshop this Friday: 2/19
    - ii. There is a Faculty Listening Session on 2/23

- iii. Benjamin: Presented an on-line talk for the Madison Astronomical Society on Fri, Feb 12: “The Mysterious Radiation Field in the Milky Way and Other Galactic Surprises”

5. Adjourned at 5:10 pm. Nawash/Constantinescu

2020-21 Department Meeting Topic List:

- i. 200918 Progress of, and support for, Physics majors.
- ii. 200925 Review of spring Proof
- iii. 201002 Student Welcome Event
- iv. 201009 Hyflex, Hybrid, and remote class tips and techniques share.
- v. 201016 Tchernookov Review
- vi. 201023 TEAM-UP and related items
- vii. 201030 No meeting - Observatory Tour (FP&M)
- viii. 201106 TEAM-UP survey responses and related items
- ix. 201113 Meet with Transfer Coordinator (Lindsey Radloff)
- x. 201120 General Information updates.
- xi. 201204 Assessments (MFT, Labs)
- xii. 200113 Fall 2021 planning
- xiii. 200127 Fall planning cont.
- xiv. 200210
- xv. 200217 Setting up Physics Advisory Council

Additional topics ideas as time allows:

- xvi. Physics Advisory Council (sub-committee, email)
- xvii. Course Evaluation Review and revision (sub-committee; email)
- xviii. Meet with Admissions
- xix. Department Website
- xx. Department Promo Lit
- xxi. Department Outreach
- xxii. Scholarships / Internships

Submitted by Steven Sahyun, Secretary of the Day.