Chair Search Committee
Minutes: Feb. 9, 2013

Meeting called to order at 12:50 p.m. Present for all or part of the meeting were Hon, Foley, Sri, Chance and Carlson.

Minutes of 1/22 meeting were approved. Motion by Foley, second by Sri. Motion carries.

Hon shared the results of reference checks on candidate Ted Spiker. Five references were contacted. Three responded and all provided extremely favorable comments.

The respondents were:
Ashley Ross
William McKeen
Debbie Treise

The committee felt Spiker’s vision presentation was thoughtful and he clearly had spent some time on it.

Strengths and weaknesses:

Strengths

• Collaborative
• Collegial
• Creative
• Supportive overall and of the individual
• Kind
• Great Teacher
• Great Advisor
• Well organized
• Quick study
• Committed to excellence for department and individual faculty members
• Not afraid to try new things
• Careful listener
• Likable
• Respectful of others
• Level-headed
• Diplomatic
• Amazingly productive
Weaknesses

• Inexperience in the position, but it doesn’t show much
• Background is not traditional academic, considering he will oversee tenure and promotion
• Lacks experience in assessing academic research

These minutes were read aloud and approved by the committee.
The meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Submitted by David Carlson