

MPMT Department Faculty Meeting 03/14/2025 Agenda of Meeting
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**1. Call to order**

Meeting started at 2:18 p.m.

Faculty Present: Coche, Esterline, Fowler, Lee, McNealy, Ostroff, Selepak, Shenk, Shin, Sorel, Thompson, Zawahry, Wells.

Absent: Babanikos, Leslie, Williams, Xu.

Also present: Adjunct Instructors Ronnie Lovler and Gary Ritzenhaler.

Thompson moved to approve the minutes from 02/28. Esterline seconded. The motion passed.

**2. Department Updates**

Coche updated the faculty on this year's faculty searches, announcing Eugy Han will join MPMT in the Fall.

Coche said the MPMT faculty vote was overwhelmingly in favor of Babanikos receiving emeritus faculty status. The request will be sent to the provost shortly.

Coche and Sorel provided a brief summary of the advisory council visit earlier this week. They specifically mentioned the council's idea for a "monetizing media" class as well as what seems to be a generational shift on the council with some more recent members preferring virtual visits over in-person ones.

Coche asked for a volunteer for the commencement ceremonies and said she would contact someone around 4 p.m. if she didn't hear from anyone by then.

**3. Strategic plan**

Sorel showed an updated draft of a proposed strategic plan for the department. Faculty discussion ensued, particularly on the first two goals. Faculty was invited to continue working on the plan, using the Google Doc "suggesting" function. Discussion will continue at the next meeting too.

**4. New/Old business**

Coche informed faculty Dr. Sylvia Chan-Olmsted would like to continue working with her graduate advisees to see them through graduation. Wells moved to have her become an affiliate MPMT faculty member. Ostroff seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**5. Adjournment**

Wells moved to adjourn. Lee seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.