Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology  
Minutes of the Department Faculty Meeting  
September 8, 2016

**Present:** Berkelman, Drake, Erker, Johnston, Karasov, Kruger, Lutz, Nack, Pauli, Peery, Pidgeon, Potter, Radeloff, Ribic, Rickenbach, Rissman, Rodock, Sabo, Samuel, Townsend, Van Deelen, Webster, and Zuckerberg

Meeting called by Rickenbach (Chair) 2:30 p.m. in 216 Russell.

1. **Approval of July 2016 minutes**

Motion to approve minutes from July 26, 2016 (Drake/Karasov) approve as amended. Unanimously approved.

2. **Review agenda**

3. **Announcements**

Webster: New Financial Specialist hire to start on Monday, September 12, 2016.

Rodock: Reminder to submitted student ID number with independent study requests. Next Monday workshop for faculty on productive conversation 12:30 to 1:30 on September 12, 2016.

Rickenbach: UW Paint Shop starting in basement, to move to 2nd Floor and 1st Floor this fall.

Nominations to campus awards to Rickenbach by September 12.

Plagiarism software – express interest via Autumn Sabo.

October 13 meeting conflict with WI Wildlife Ecology Seminar – to reschedule or hold. Options for October in Doodle Poll to come.

Drake: Hub suggestions and concerns by Hub faculty director

Preaward research/Office of Quality Improvement to improve process
Update of tightening budget

PI responses and information sharing

Concerns raised about WISDM

4. Old Business

Ecologist search update Kruger – PVL is posted and about to be advertised.

Staffing plan – Discussion of co-op unit and relationship with DNR and Department.

Ugrad/Grad assessments – to come to Chairs of the two committees to respond to one or two of the submitted learning goals

5. New Business

Fall teaching numbers review of enrollment number and expectations going forward.

Pauli - Wildlife ecology teaching equipment inventory done this summer by student hourly. New check in process to be implemented.

Biotron and WARF to be invited to a future meeting. Biotron coming to faculty meeting; WARF to be a separate meeting with who may be interested.

Pidgeon – discussion of Possible Tinker Professorship next spring.

Chancellor’s email on diversity and climate.

Adjourn. Motion (Drake/Karasov) to adjourned the meeting at 3:35. Unanimously approved.