



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

MEMORANDUM

February 25, 2015

TO: University Faculty

FROM: Susan Gary, Professor of Law and Faculty Trustee

RE: Extended Invitation to Board/Faculty Discussions

One more memo from me! I apologize for the multiple memos, but we're all trying to figure things out as we go.

I've had several productive email conversations with Ron Bramhall (Senior Instructor of Business). He and I think it's best to extend the invitation to meet with UO Trustees at next week's Board meeting to all faculty – TTF, NTTf, NTRF and Library faculty – at this time. That way we will get a mix of people in the conversations, letting the Trustees know more immediately about the scope of all roles faculty play at the UO.

The downside is that we already have nearly 50 people signed up to participate in the discussions, and expanding the invitation list means some of those folks will not be able to participate this time.

In my view, and Ron agrees, the discussions will be most productive if they are relatively small (10-12 faculty). That means that some faculty who would like to participate in March will not be able to participate until June or September. We will keep everyone's information and will continue these discussions, so there will certainly be other opportunities to participate. However, in order to have meaningful conversations, the groups will be "smallish".

Please do not read anything into who is participating this time and who will participate in the future. We will try to have a wide representation from different departments, units and "categories" of faculty (NTTF, TTF, Asst., Assoc., Full, research faculty, librarians, etc.).

It's a great opportunity for faculty to let the Board know more about the important work we do, the different types of work we do, the challenges we face, and the successes we've had. I'm very happy that the Board is interested in having these conversations, and I'm delighted that so many faculty are willing to take the time to participate.

Ron and I know this is late, but the Board meeting is next week. These discussions will take place on Friday, March 6, from 8:00-9:30 am. Please email Amanda Hatch in the Board's office (ahatch@uoregon.edu) ASAP if you wish to attend. If you can't attend next week, but want to be added to an RSVP list for future opportunities, please feel free to email that as well.

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