

February 5, 2024

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Present: Peter Beerli, Hristo Chipilski, Nick Dexter, Gordon Erlebacher, Chen Huang, Alan Lemmon, Tomek Plewa, Bryan Quaife, Sachin Shanbhag, Kevin Speer, Olmo Zavala Romero

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1. There was a discussion of the department budget. There are four sources of funding. The current state of these funds on February 5 are: the General Fund 75K, Carry Forward 15K, SRAD 200K, and Foundation 209K. We will get a new budget from the dean by the end of February.
2. There are currently seven TA positions. In Fall 2024, there should be three new TA positions available because current TAs will have graduated. Three new start-up RA positions should also be filled, and an RA from the Dean for the chair will start this Summer, 2024.
3. The yearly Expo is scheduled for April 11, 2024. Nick Dexter volunteered to coordinate this event.
4. There was a brief discussion regarding speakers for the Colloquium in the year 2024/2025. Olmo suggested that a faculty member should cover each date or find another speaker from campus or outside campus. We filled in randomly faculty as speakers for Fall 2024.
5. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.