

**Department of Radio-Television-Film  
Faculty Meeting  
Minutes for meeting of August 24, 2015**

**Faculty Present:**

Wiley Akins, Miguel Alvarez, Ben Bays, Mary Beltran, Kat Candler, Deepak Chetty, Caroline Frick, Kathy Fuller, Andy Garrison, Megan Gilbride, Juan Pablo Gonzalez, Lalitha Gopalan, Don Howard, Stuart Kelban, Karen Kocher, Shanti Kumar, Anne Lewis, Deb Lewis, Richard Lewis, Madhavi Mallapragada, Cindy McCreery, Steve Mims, Roland Myers, Sheldon Pacotti, Alisa Perren, Swapnil Rai, Charles Ramirez Berg, PJ Raval, Tom Schatz, Nancy Schiesari, David Schneider, Suzanne Scott, Andrew Shea, Annie Silverstein, Ellen Spiro, Janet Staiger, Paul Stekler, Joe Straubhaar, Sharon Strover, Beau Thorne, Kathleen Tyner, Craig Watkins, Karin Wilkins.

**Staff Present:**

Keefe Boerner, Char Burke, Bert Herigstad, Gloria Holder, Michelle Monk, Lee Sparks, Elana Wakeman.

**Guests Present:**

RTF Undergraduate Advisors: Ashley Clark, Noe Gonzalez, Jeffrey Marsh.

RTF Graduate Student Organization representative, Britta Hanson.

**Announcements:**

- Congratulations to Professor Karin Wilkins who has received the *John P. McGovern Regents Professorship in Health and Medical Science Communication*.
- Congratulations to Professor Kathryn Fuller who has received the *William P. Hobby Centennial Professorship*.
- Campus Carry starts September 1, 2016. The University will have a campus discussion on this topic.
- Professor Charles Ramirez Berg has a new book, *Classical Mexican Cinema*, and will do a community screening on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>.
- MCoC Interim Dean Jay Bernhardt will be attending the next RTF faculty meeting.
- Student credit hours are being reviewed. RTF has smaller enrollments in some classes than other departments.
- Faculty should have received an email with a link to your 2015-16 salary information.
- The RTF beginning of semester party is this Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup> in the Littlefield House.
- Congratulations again to Madhavi Mallapragada and Caroline Frick, who are now officially Associate Professors.
- Lecturer Deb Lewis will be teaching full-time this coming spring 2016.
- Welcome to new lecturers Juan Pablo Gonzalez, Michelle Garcia, Deepak Chetty, and Lance Myers.
- Welcome to new undergraduate academic advisor Ashley Clark.
- Two visiting scholars were introduced by their faculty sponsor. Visiting Scholar Jing Wang, hosted by Professor Don Howard and Visiting Scholar Seungmo Nam, hosted by Professor Joe Straubhaar.
- Michelle Monk announced that Gloria Holder is retiring Dec. 31, 2015. There will be a party announcement.
- Char Burke discussed faculty web profiles, the newly organized faculty handbook page, and faculty calendars.
- Elana Wakeman gave a Summer media camps briefing. She reports there are more camps than ever, including more two-week camps. The camp income is vital to RTF operations.
- Elana asked that faculty send her their updates and accolades.
- Professor Alisa Perren requested that media studies students be asked to attend the RTF Colloquiums.
- Professors Alisa Perren and Cindy McCreery commented on the RTF Master class. They announced that the speakers' presentations are open to classes, faculty, and students.
- Faculty are asked to send announcements of peer reviewed journal articles to the MCoC communication team.
- There will be an RTF Department 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Showcase and Reception on Nov. 1, 2015. Details forthcoming.

A handout was provided concerning the Media Industry Conversations (MIC) with industry professionals.