Faculty Present:

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. 1st.
- 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 28th 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 50th Anniversary Showcase and Reception on Nov. 1, 2015. Details forthcoming.

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