

## Virtual Department Meeting for 11-9-14

### Events:

- Dave Van Wylen is giving the Chapel talk tomorrow (**Monday!**)
- Andrew Menssen (recent Ole Grad) is giving the **Monday** Biology Seminar
- Katie Hartjes (Mayo) is announcing this year's IMPACT program – Wednesday, 7pm, RNS 410

### Advising and Registration:

- Web registration is going OK so far. At this point there are a lot of students entering choices for a lot of things. Interim web registration results post tomorrow, and Spring posts on Wednesday.
- You can check the process on your Enrollments screen in the Tools heading in SIS if you like.
- If you are getting requests from students to add your course because they are not projected to get in, we are using the same google form wait list process that has worked smoothly for the past few years. Tory or I will send that out on Wednesday after Spring results post.
- **You are not required to use this wait list system, but please let me and Tory know if you want to handle your wait list on your own** – this way we will know to NOT include your course in the google form.
- Those of you new to the wait list process – I'll chat with you about how this works!

### News from FNSM Chairs' Meetings

- Mary is working with Public Safety on clearer guidelines for students working safely in labs outside of regular workday hours. We will have a conversation about this, but some things to look ahead to are: better education of our students about safe practices, and signage for lab spaces to help Public Safety with their after-hours safety enforcement.
- Branden Grimmitt, Piper Center Director, talked to chairs about Piper Center work and collaborations. He created a very nice summary of things related to FNSM (PDF attached), and I will also forward an email from him in which he assembled some of the most useful links.

### Searches

- AAA search – for those of you involved, we will find a best time (probably not perfect time for everyone) to meet in mid-week to decide which candidates to interview. Stay tuned.
- Tenure-track search – for those of you involved, please see email from Steve about Friday's meeting (which will be entirely devoted to applicant discussion and voting).
- Thank you for reading and thinking about all of these applications!

