

**SAH College Committee**  
**Minutes for 2/6/15, 12:15-1:15**

Present: Melissa Bingham, Colin Belby, Deborah Doherty, Shelly Leshner, Adrienne Loh, Kasi Periyasamy, Heather Schenck

Excused: Patricia Ardovino, Patrick Grabowski, Seth King, Susan Kelly

Consultants/Visitors: Jeff Baggett, Penny Tiedt, Robert Allen

1. **Minutes from 12/5/14 approved 6/0/0**
2. Discussion of meeting times: possible times are Mondays 10-11, or Friday afternoons. Dr. Belby will check schedules and notify the committee of the next meeting time.
3. Data Science Program Authorization (Dr. Baggett) - Seeking approval for Authorization to Implement (CC approval is one step in the process). The plan is to launch the program in Fall 2015. The Data Science Program proposal has gone through the preliminary round of approvals. The Math department reviewed and voted on the LX forms on 1/22/15 prior to sending it to Dean Riley's office for approval.

Some concern expressed by the Computer Science department about rigor and depth of computer science content of the courses, which are not offered at UWL. Dr. Baggett emphasized that this is an applied degree, and not a PhD in Computer Science. The program will be going through periodic review and several levels of quality assurance.

**Approved 6/0/1**

4. Mathematics Honors Program Proposal (Dr. Allen) - The math department is proposing to offer an honors degree in the major, and it needs to be approved by the College Committee before going to UCC.

10 programs currently offer honors degrees in their major across campus, 2 are in SAH (Microbiology and Physics). Students are recognized at graduation and can state this on their resumes, etc. Math would like to recognize stellar student achievements by offering an honors program. The program requirements are based on existing honors programs at UWL. Math will have a committee reviewing applications

**Approved 7/0/0**

5. Discussion of SAH College Core charge from Dean Riley – to be discussed at the next meeting.
6. Subcommittee for the formulation of CSAH Excellence Award criteria: Belby & Loh.
7. Meeting adjourned, 1:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne Loh