

Astronomy and Astrophysics Faculty Meeting
Monday, Jan 14, 2008
3:30–5:00 pm Rm 102 ISB

AGENDA

- Announcements (Faber) (3:30–3:40)
 - We are in the process of making this year's improvements to the Dept. website and met with our new helper from ITS this morning. We are still taking suggestions from faculty, postdocs, and students. We are taking a census on people who lack homepages and encouraging them to create one. Also a census of classes that lack websites and need one. Faculty need to develop their research webpages (individual and groups) in cooperation with Xavier and Dan Magee.
 - We are starting to plan a schedule for the External Review on May 27–29 with the goal of telling people (students, faculty, postdocs) what presentations and meetings will be needed. We hope to have a draft schedule by the end of January.
 - Sissy has sent out a draft list of courses and instructors for next year. Please review and get back to her with comments.
 - The Graduate Admissions committee will shortly begin reading applications. Our discussions today could have an impact on their work. They are also thinking about how to improve the experience of visiting candidates during Prospectives Week and will be suggesting new elements that will depend on faculty participation for their success.

- Discussion of the Graduate Program, Goals and Structure (Koo and committee) (3:40 – 5:00)