

Astronomy and Astrophysics Faculty Meeting  
Monday, Nov 5, 2007  
3:30–5 pm Rm 102 ISB

## AGENDA

- Announcements (Faber) (3:30–3:35)
  - The Fall Astronomy Research Social was very well attended. There were outside presentations by reps from LLNL, LANL, AMES, and SLAC. 35 undergrads attended and roughly 20 people from our department, including faculty, grads, and postdocs. Thanks to everyone, especially Adriane, for supporting this!
  - Astronomy research web pages: Xavier has mapped out a final site plan. Dan Magee has agreed to design the major pages and provide a template for individual faculty pages. Salary arrangements for Dan have been finalized. Please see X and Dan to move your pages along.
  - We had a record number of prize postdoc applicants who want to take their postdocs at UCSC: 16 Hubbles, 9 Spitzers, and 5 Chandras and still counting. This is roughly twice as many as last year. We don't know why this happened, but it is nice.
  - Piero is chair of our Conference committee. Recall that we said at the last retreat that we should put on a conference once a year. Piero would like suggestions for topics. This is a good coffee topic.
- Modifications to the grad program (3:35–4:15): (Faber, Ramirez–Ruiz, Prochaska)
  - Enrico and Xavier were asked at the last meeting to bring back some concrete suggestions for improvements to the grad program. We will look at these and start discussing them.
- Executive session for ladder–faculty Full Professor and above: merit increase for Doug Lin (4:15–5:00): (Faber)

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Doug's file is in the Department office for you to look at.

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