School of Biological Sciences Executive Committee Report, 2019-2020

Membership

The committee consists of two members from each of the four departments in the school:

- Kevin Thornton, EEB (chair)
- Celia Faiola, EEB
- Michael Yassa, NBB
- Andrea Nicholas, NBB
- Olivier Cinquin, Dev/Cell
- Max Plikus, Dev/Cell
- Tom Poulos, MBB
- Mei Kong, MBB

The following are ex-officio members:

- Brandon Gaut, EEB
- Michael Mulligan, Dev/Cell
- Raju Metherate, NBB

Role

The Executive Committee acts as a liaison between the departments and the Dean’s office. Ideally, we play a role in advising the Dean about faculty opinions regarding issues within the school.

Meetings

Monthly, plus quarterly meeting with the Dean. The chair also attends a school retreat. The meetings did not happen Spring quarter due to covid19.

Issues discussed

The majority of the time was spent discussing possible changes to the organization of the school and to the structure of the undergraduate major. Both of these issues have been “under development” by other school committees, who took the time to report to the Executive Committee the status of the discussions.