

Commencement Committee

Monday, September 30, 2013

3:00 PM, Bradford Hall Conference Room

Minutes

I. Committee Members

Scott Baker, Thom Brooks, William Brothers, Peter Buck, Betsy Clayton, Christy Deaver, Clyanne Hyde, Owen Gibby, Tyler Goode, Mitch Fischer, David Kochersberger, Barb Putman, Chuck Reece, Wayne Sutton

II. December Graduation

- a. Date/Time: Friday, December 13, 5:30 PM (Rehearsal December 12 at 3)
- b. Food: Light reception after graduation as usual. Will not hold the rehearsal reception due to low attendance
- c. Speaker: Excellence in Teaching recipient
- d. Other: Wayne will play music through the speakers in the lobby

III. May Graduation

- a. Date/Time: Thursday, May 8, TBD (Rehearsal May 7 at 3)
- b. Video/Speaker: Include both video and graduating student speaker(s) to be identified in the coming months. Scott and Tyler will continue to brainstorm better ways to identify graduating students in photos.
- c. Parking: Will be an issue due to construction but will do the best to work around it.
- d. Other: Administration should highly encourage advisors to do commencement applications during registration to get numbers in quicker.

Notes: Betsy will ask Gregory Smith to provide the invocation/benediction at the December and May ceremonies. Faculty will be seated in the audience again instead of stage.

The committee should begin thinking of potential options for the May ceremony (2 ceremonies one day, 1 ceremony the next day, Saturday commencement ceremonies, limited guest list, etc.). William Brothers will also discuss options with faculty senate. The committee will meet again in January to discuss May logistics.