Science Chairs’ Council Meetings 2009-2010

Remaining Action Items

1. (Science Chairs) Encourage talk organizers to invite Yale faculty from other departments to give talks (February 2010)

2. (Science Chairs) Send Robin Hogen suggested additions to the list "faculty suggested for talking to the press" (March 2010)

3. (Science Chairs) Circulate the news that OPA will give people simple FLIP cameras to faculty going on "research trips", to make PR videos (March 2010)

4. (Science Chairs) Departments should invite Donoghue and Spangler for West Campus discussions (April 2010)

5. (Michael Donoghue) should approach the departments about meeting with faculty on West Campus development (April 2010)

6. (WC Committee Members) Communicate WC issues with their departments (April 2010)

7. (Science Chairs) Keep up pressure on key Yale entities (HR and provost and Yale Corp) to improve child care at Yale (April 2010)

8. (Science Chairs) Each dept should review their mentoring plan. Chairs are urged to review FARs with junior faculty if they do not already do so (April 2010)

9. (Chairs of MCDB, Chemistry and Physics) Huddle together to figure out the revised undergraduate teaching lab needs (May 2010)

10. (Laura Cruikshank) Investigate the experiences of Rockefeller University and other universities with integrated lab & student living spaces (May 2010)

11. (Tim O’Connor) Learn more about recent Sigma Xi revival efforts, and then consider appropriate action (Dec 2009)

Proposed Future SCC Actions:

1. (Scott Miller) Invite Dean Mary Miller to SCC meeting next year to discuss the role of the chairs in the promotion process (May 2010).

2. Explore "right" science fraction for Yale's undergraduate body, especially given the new residential colleges and upcoming expansion in the undergraduate body

3. Urge administration to fund summer program for prospective science undergraduates

4. Urge administration to fund improvements in science tours

5. Invite Dean Brenzel back to talk about tours