AGENDA  Revised #1
CELS FACULTY AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEETING
Tuesday, May 2, 2017  CBLS 100 -- 10AM

1) Call to Order (Associate Dean Veeger)

2) Approval of the Minutes: September 6, 2016 CELS Faculty and Professional Staff Meeting (Associate Dean Veeger) See: http://web.uri.edu/celsgov/meetings-minutes/

3) Guest Speaker: Dr. Gerald Sonnenfeld, Vice President for Research and Economic Development on "Research and Scholarly Activity during the Trump Administration."

4) Guest Speaker: Ms. Claire Gadrow, Vice President for Development, URI Foundation. "URI's 125th Anniversary Fundraising and Giving Initiative"

5) Announcements: (Associate Dean Veeger)
   a. Report on new faculty joining CELS
   b. Report on Status of on-going searches
   c. Update report on faculty positions request to Provost's Office
   d. CELS Excellence Awards
   e. Announcement of Faculty and Staff Retirements
   f. Promotion and Tenure Decisions
   g. Report on the results of the CELS Fall Senate elections and thanks to outgoing CELS Senators: Todd Guilfoos (ENRE); Brian Maynard (PLE); and Faculty Senate Chair J. Michael Sullivan (PLE)

6) Election of CELS Committee Members: Official ballots will be distributed, collected, and tallied by members of the Bylaws and Review Committee, and reported by Associate Dean Veeger during the course of the meeting. Sample ballot is attached as Appendix 1

7) Reports of Standing Committees:
   a. Curriculum Committee (Chairperson Brian Savage)
   b. Research Committee (Associate Dean Thornber)
   c. Extension and Outreach Committee (Associate Dean Sheely)
   d. Space Committee (Chairperson Christopher Lane)
   e. Commencement Committee (Chairperson Simona Trandafir) See report at: http://web.uri.edu/celsgov/commencement-committee/
   f. Diversity Committee (Michelle Fontes-Barros)
   g. Bylaws and Review Committee (Chairperson)

8) Old Business

9) New Business

10) Awarding of Door Prizes (Judith Palmer)

11) Adjournment
Spring 2017 CELS Election Ballot
for seats expiring 2020 unless noted otherwise

Ballot instructions: Please vote by selecting or writing in your chosen candidate, fold and pass on to a member of the Bylaws and Review Committee who will be collecting and tallying the votes. Asterisks denote incumbent candidates.

1) URI Graduate Council (vote for one)
   ___ Scott McWilliams* (NRS)   ___ (write in) ___________________

2) CELS Curriculum Committee (vote for two)
   ___ Alison Roberts* (BIO)     ___ Soni Pradhang (GEO)          ___
   (write-in) ____________________________

3) CELS Space Committee (vote for two)
   ___ Austin Humphries* (FAVS)   ___ Christopher Lane* (BIO)   ___ Bethany Jenkins (CMB)
   ___ (write in) ____________________________

4) CELS Research Committee (vote for three)
   ___ Niall Howlett* (CMB)      ___ Simon Englehart (GEO)    ___ Jason Kolbe (BIO)
   ___ Jacqueline Webb (BIO)     ___ (write in) ____________________________

5) CELS Commencement Committee (vote for two)#
   ___ Simona Trandafir* (ENRE)  ___ Jodi Camberg (CMB)
   ___ (write in) ____________________________  #note: The candidate receiving second highest vote
total will serve a one-year term expiring 2018 but will be eligible for reelection thereafter.

6) CELS Bylaws & Review Committee (vote for one)
   ___ Jessica Frazier* (MAF)    ___ Rachel Schwartz (BIO)
   ___ (write in) ____________________________

7) URI Senate Curricular Affairs Committee (vote for one) (for partial term as sabbatical
   replacement for James Opaluch* whose term runs to 2019)
   ___ W. Michael Sullivan (PLE)    ___ (write in) ____________________________

8) URI Senate Committee on Information Technology, Infrastructure, Communications &
   Networking (vote for one)
   ___ Brian Maynard* (PLE)       ___ Ying Zhang (CMB)
   ___ (write-in) ____________________________

9) URI Senate General Education Committee (vote for one)
   ___ Steven Irvine* (BIO)      ___ Nathaniel Mitkowsk (PLE)
   ___ (write-in) ____________________________

10) URI Senate Undergraduate Academic Advising Committee (vote for one)
    ___ Joanna Norris* (BIO)     ___ Bridget Ruemmele (PLE)
    ___ (write-in) ____________________________