Plant and Soil Sciences
2016-2017 Committees and Service Assignments

Coordinator of Instruction          D’Angelo
Coordinator of Extension            R. Smith
Spindletop Farm Coordinator         Slack
Campus Facilities Coordinator       Kenimer
Equipment Coordinators              Bruening/Lawson
Safety Coordinator                  Venard

Promotion and Evaluation Committee
(The department’s Rules of Procedure state that an individual is appointed for two years and
may serve for only four consecutive years on this committee. The current year of service is
indicated in parentheses following the name below)

R. Smith    (1)     Matocha  (2)  B. Lee      (3)  Smalle    (4)
Zhu          (1)        McCulley   (2)           (3)       (4)

Responsibilities: To assist and advise on faculty evaluation and promotion

Graduate Program Coordinating Committee

Coyne       DGS IPSS and Soil Science representative
Phillips    Crop Science representative
Hunt        Plant Biology representative

Responsibilities:
1. To coordinate graduate programs in Plant and Soil Sciences.
2. To evaluate applications for admission and assistantships.
3. To coordinate an annual graduate student orientation.
4. To assume leadership in recruiting graduate students.
5. To select an outstanding graduate student each year to receive the Peaslee Award. Mark Coyne will chair this effort.

Advisory Committee

Composed of the Graduate Program Coordinating Committee, Coordinators of Instruction
and Extension, and the Promotion and Evaluation Committee.

Responsibilities: To advise on policy, procedure, and other matters as requested by the Chair.

Staff Representation: The staff representative to the college Staff Links committee (Christine Tarne) and the PSS facility coordinators will serve on the Advisory Committee when needed in regard to staff and facility issues.
**Project Proposal Review**

Wendroth (Chair) Karathanasis Miller Smalle Tsyusko

To review Hatch project proposals, enlisting other reviewers as needed.

**Seminar**

Responsibilities: To coordinate and schedule seminars.

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†Organize department seminars, graduate student symposia and to involve all graduate students and faculty
‡Organize the Shirley Phillips No-Till Agriculture program
§Organize the annual seminar focused on instruction
¶Organize the annual Graduate Program Outstanding Alumnus seminar
*Student appointed from IPSS

**Social Committee**

Cathy Bowers (coordinator), Susan Leopold with faculty and staff located on PSB 4th floor

Responsibilities: To arrange and conduct the annual Holiday Luncheon plus other departmental social activities as appropriate.

**Faculty Awards**

Responsibilities: To identify and recommend qualified faculty and specialists for professional awards and other recognitions; then identify an individual to assist in preparing the nomination.

Van Sanford (Chair) Bailey Bertsch McCulley Yuan

**Outstanding Alumnus**

Responsibilities: To choose an alumnus of our graduate programs to receive the “Distinguished Alumnus Award” and to arrange the visit and activities.

Munshaw (Chair) Egli Knott Ritchey and Graduate Program Coordinating Committee (Coyne, Hunt, Phillips)

**PSSGSA Advisor** - Van Sanford
Undergraduate Program Steering Committee

D’Angelo (Chair) Matocha Perry
Goff McNear von Groote
Haramoto

Responsibilities:
1. To review and evaluate undergraduate curricula, courses, and student activities in Plant and Soil Sciences.
2. To provide leadership in the development of new undergraduate programs as needed.
3. Coordinate student recruiting activities

Academic Program - Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Group

McNear (chair), D’Angelo, Coyne, Perry

Responsibilities:
To coordinate, review, and evaluate undergraduate and graduate program assessment activities

UK@Work

Goal 1 Committee: Martinez Moe Swanson Whitaker

Goal 2 Committee: Bowers Hunt Kupper Pearce Russell

Responsibilities: Gather the department’s opinion and develop a plan to meet our UK@Work goals.

Goal 1: Improve the response to Empowerment Statement 6 - ‘I am satisfied with the procedures available for resolving faculty and staff complaints.’

Goal 2: Improve the response to Work Relationship Statement 6 - ‘Differing opinions are openly discussed in reaching decisions in my department’ combined with two statements under communication ‘UK does an excellent job of keeping faculty/staff informed about matters affecting us.’ as well as ‘Sufficient effort is made to get the opinions and thinking of faculty/staff’.

Outreach and Communications

Field Days Coordinator

R. Smith

Responsibilities: Scheduling and coordination for field days. Field day organizers will advise the coordinator concerning plans and schedules.

Department Web Page

L. Williams (Chair) Bowers Kawashima Lauer Ritchey Salmeron
Tsyusko von Groote

Responsibility: To review the appearance and utility of the departmental web page and to offer suggestions for its improvement
Responsibilities: Establish, review, and publish lime and fertilizer recommendations. Maintain data used to establish those recommendations.
Facilities and Safety

Safety Responsibility: As specified in UK Administrative Regulations (AR II-1.1 –14 –181), environmental health and safety is a shared responsibility of all of us: administration, faculty, staff, and students. The activities of the departmental safety committees do not relieve any others of their obligation to assure compliance with all health and safety requirements.

Farm Oversight College Committees
North Farm – Pearce, Slack
Little Farm - Green

Spindletop Facilities:
Slack (Chair) Hunter Lawson Munshaw P. Perry (KTRDC) J. Roberts Salmeron Wendroth
Responsibilities:
1. Oversight of issues related to management of equipment and buildings
2. Recommend allocation of facility resources at Spindletop.

Spindletop Land Use:
Slack (Chair) Aiken (FAPRU) Lawson C. Lee McGrath Miller Shelton (KTRDC) VanSanford
Responsibilities:
1. Oversight of land assignment and use
2. Recommend allocation of land resources at Spindletop.
3. Inform the Chair and Associate Dean for Research of regulated plant testing

Farm Safety Committee:
McGrath (Chair) Allen Cropper Keene Jones Russell Venard
Responsibilities: Oversight of issues related to on-farm safety, confirm certified first aid trained employees, plus conduct an annual worker safety training

Farm Pesticide Use and Oversight:
Green (Chair) Duckworth Haramoto Neal Omielan Zeleznik
Responsibilities: To review and implement pesticide use guidelines, record keeping, and regulatory compliance, and promote our expectations for safe pesticide use.

Laboratory Safety Committee:
Venard (Chair) Hildebrand Kupper Kurepa Unrine Zhu
Responsibilities: Coordination, planning, and review of on-campus laboratory safety issues, oversight of laboratory chemical and waste handling, organize necessary safety trainings, and management of laboratory inspections as necessary.

Autoclave Committee:
Clark (Chair) Freytag (1st floor Ag North) Hartman (3rd floor PSB) Fukushige (4th floor PSB)
Responsibilities: To oversee autoclave maintenance, certification and training in designated areas including required autoclave certifications
Grinding Rooms Committee:

Nelson (chair)    Dollarhide    Fisher    Olson    Weinberger

Responsibilities: To oversee maintenance of grinding mills and grinding rooms plus review safety issues and provide training

Greenhouse Committee:

Barrett (chair)    Connelley    Dinkins (FAPRU)    Haramoto    Kawashima    Martinez    Rhodus

Responsibilities: Coordinate greenhouse space assignments, develop facility recommendations, and publicize UK CA greenhouse safety web page

Emergency Response:

Venard (chair)    Hildebrand    King    Law    Omielan    Rhodes    Unrine

Responsibilities: Review Building Emergency Action Plans for AGN, PSB, Spindletop farm. Keep emergency response information up-to-date on the department’s web site and in the building locations where we work.

Coordinators of Specific Areas:

Analytical Lab – Matocha and Crutchfield
Computer Labs and Equipment –Lauer and Singleton
Seedhouse – Kenimer
Soils Radioisotope and Molecular Biology Labs – D’Angelo

Graduate Student, Post-Doc, and Visitor Housing:
   AG North 1st Floor – Coyne
   AG North 2nd Floor - McCulley
   PSB 3rd Floor – Hunt
   PSB 4th Floor – Hildebrand
### Commodity/Resource Groups

#### Corn and Soybean
- **Chair:** C. Lee
- **Co-chair:** Knott
- **Function:** Providing functions and membership of the inter-departmental Corn and Soybean Science Group.

#### Forage
- **Chair:** Phillips
- **Members:** Aiken, Dinkins, Goff, Green, Kagan

#### Soil
- **Chair:** Coyne
- **Members:** D'Angelo, Bertsch, Grove, Karathanasis, B. Lee, Matocha, McGrath

#### Turf
- **Chair:** Munshaw
- **Members:** Barrett, Green, Phillips

#### Water/Environment
- **Chair:** B. Lee
- **Members:** Unrine, McCulley, Karathanasis, McGrath

#### Seed
- **Chair:** Hunter
- **Members:** Phillips, Miller, Van Sanford, Kawashima

#### Tobacco
- **Chair:** Pearce
- **Members:** Miller, D'Angelo, Karathanasis, B. Lee

#### Weed
- **Chair:** Green
- **Members:** Barrett, Slack, C. Lee

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**Group Chairs may add other names and are encouraged to involve faculty from other departments as appropriate.**

**Responsibilities:**

1. To identify research and other needs to address and solve producer problems.
2. To encourage individuals and groups to fulfill the identified needs.
3. To annually review and update production recommendations as appropriate.
4. To continually review the department’s technical publications related to the commodity (Fact Sheets, Leaflets, Progress Reports, etc.) and to recommend or to assign responsibilities for preparation or revision of publications.
5. To advise the chair of needs in the commodity or resource area.
6. The Seed Commodity Committee will make recommendations concerning variety release and certification. The Foundation Seed sub-committee will provide oversight to the Foundation Seed Project and advise the Manager and Chair about FSP operations.