

Ballots and Straw Polls by the Faculty of the Department of Mathematics Concerning the Proposed School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences

Questionnaire

Completed March 9, 2018¹

Distributed to fifteen tenured and tenure track faculty – ten questionnaires returned

1. The retention of our current organization as the Department of Mathematics is preferable to the administration proposal for a School of Physical Sciences (as presented).

Agree: 10 Disagree: 0

2. The faculty proposal for a School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences (as presented) is preferable to the administration proposal for a School of Physical Sciences (as presented).

Agree: 10 Disagree: 0

3. School compositions that would locate Mathematics programs in the same school as Computer Science are preferable to the administration proposal for a School of Physical Sciences (as presented).

Agree: 7 Disagree: 0

4. The administration proposal for a School of Physical Sciences (as presented) would negatively affect the reputation of our programs.

Agree: 10 Disagree: 0

5. Additional University resources should be directed towards the development of new and existing programs in mathematics and mathematics-related areas with strong potential for interdisciplinary collaboration.

Agree: 10 Disagree: 0

¹ An eleventh questionnaire was returned after the deadline on March 9, but before March 13, 2018. "Agree" was selected on each of the five questions on the late questionnaire.

Vote to end discussion period on the proposal for the School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences

Completed March 8, 2018

Fourteen bargaining unit faculty

Shall the proposal discussion period for the School of Mathematical and Statistical Science proposal be ended on March 13, 2018 and the proposal subsequently advanced to the next step?

Yes: 10 No: 0

Ballot on the Proposal Submission Recommendation

Completed February 15, 2018

Fifteen tenured and tenure track faculty

Recommendation. We recommend that the Faculty of the Department of Mathematics submit the proposal for a School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences to the Administration now with a request that the Administration remove the Department of Mathematics from the proposal for a School of Physical Sciences and instead back our proposal. We further recommend that if we do not have an affirmative answer from the Administration within two weeks from the date of submission, Faculty in the Department of Mathematics immediately be given an opportunity to vote on whether to advance the proposal for a School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences as a Faculty-developed proposal.

Shall the recommendation as stated above be adopted by the Continuing Faculty of the Department of Mathematics?

Yes: 12 No: 1

Straw poll on School Proposals

Completed December 15, 2017

Fourteen bargaining unit faculty

1. Do we support the proposal for our inclusion in a School of Physical Sciences, as described in the Article 9 documents supplied to us by the Chancellor?

Yes: 0 No: 12

2. Shall we explore the development by the faculty of a proposal for a School of Mathematical Sciences (or similarly named structure), as an alternative proposal to our inclusion in the School of Physical Sciences?

Yes: 10 No: 2