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DEAN GLASER: Welcome, everybody, to the final A&S faculty meeting of the semester. We have a series of announcements, and then we have a major topic of discussion; not presentation, a discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FACULTY PARTICIPATION IN REQUIRED DISCRIMINATION PREVENTION TRAINING WORKSHOP
DEAN GLASER: To start off, the discrimination prevention training workshops, which everybody has been invited to, and we do have an aspiration to have every faculty member, part-time and full-time, tenure-stream, non-tenure-stream, every staff person in the school covered by these trainings. The dental school had like 97 percent coverage, and the engineering school had some over 90 percent as well.

We still have over 300 people who are yet to do the training. And I'm very competitive, and I want arts and sciences to show up well vis-a-vis these other schools. So there will be more trainings planned in January and February, and I encourage all of you, if you have not signed up -- and I know there's still a couple of more that are this month. In fact, I'm supposed to go to one of them, and will go to one of them myself. But I encourage you to sign up for January and February if you have not signed up.

We have an important institutional reason to do this, and once arts and sciences has done them, they go to the medical school and the veterinary school and some other school, nutrition, whatever. So please sign up and participate. Nancy.

NOMINATE AN EXCEPTIONAL TUFTS STUDENT FOR THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION'S SENIOR AWARDS
DEAN BAUER: Jillian just slipped this paper here, and I looked at the schedule and see I am supposed to announce this. And I don't know the contents, so I'm going to read it to you.

"The 2016 Senior Awards nomination period is now open. The Senior Award is presented to graduating Arts, Sciences and Engineering seniors in recognition of the example they set for their peers and all alumni by demonstrating achievement, service, commitment, and leadership to Tufts and/or their community. This program endeavors to encourage the involvement and volunteer services of these seniors as future alumni leaders. Between six and twelve awards will be presented, the recipients of which will also be given $1000 at a special ceremony on Saturday, April 9, 2016. Recipients must be able to attend this ceremony in person in order to receive the award. All nominations must be submitted via the official nomination form."

And they can be submitted online. There is a simple email link, which is seniorawards@tufts.edu, and you have to submit those nominations by January 22, 2016. If you want to do a paper submission, Bárbara and I can tell you who to send it to, because you won't remember if I give you the name, and you can also call the Office of Alumni Relations.
So key thing, by January 22, 2016, if you want to nominate one of your seniors for this award for achievement, service, commitment, and leadership to Tufts, you should go to seniorawards@tufts.edu. Thanks. Send in a nomination form.

**LEAVE APPLICATION DEADLINE – DECEMBER 15TH**
DEAN BRIZUELA: This is just a reminder that all leave applications are due December 15. That's next Tuesday. There is a new leave application form that is on both Jillian's website and Nancy and my website as well. It is now a single form. There used to be I think ten different versions of the form, and you needed to figure out which one you had to pick. Now you just have to pick what check box you need to click on, instead of trying to figure out what form. So again, December 15, any faculty in your departments who are planning to taking any kind of leave, please remind them about this. Thank you.

**TENURE AND PROMOTION ELECTION**
DEAN GLASER: There is a tenure and promotions election, which begins this morning, and will continue through the end of the workday on Friday, 5:00 on Friday. There are three open spots for next year. Two of those were created by the vote last month to expand the T&P committee. One of those two must go to an engineer. But we encourage you all to participate and keep an eye open for the email that came from Jillian this morning. Correct, Jillian?

MS. DUBMAN: Yes. And I just wanted to say it's open to all full-time faculty members can participate in this vote. It's not limited by tenure status.

**RESOLUTION ON THE RETIREMENT OF LAURA WALTERS**
DEAN GLASER: Thank you. One final announcement, and it's not on your agenda, but I'm looking directly at Laura Walters in front of me, and Laura is retiring from the library. And I just have to say personally that Laura has been -- she might have been the first person I met when I came to campus, actually, 23 years ago, and has been an enormous -- 24 years ago, you're right. And she's been an enormous resource for me.

She's been a great resource for faculty across the schools. And we've just been so very lucky to have you, Laura, and I would like to take this moment to spread across the minutes of the arts and sciences meeting our appreciation for all that you have done for us. And I ask everybody to join me in that.

I know that Laura Wood has been anticipating this for a while, your departure, and we're worried about how things will function at Tisch Library --

MS. WALTERS: Everything will function just fine.

DEAN GLASER: I know that we will function fine, but it won't be the same. Thank you for your service.

MS. WALTERS: Thank you so much. I've been really happy here. Thank you.
NEW BUSINESS

UPDATE ON THE SCHOOL OF THE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS (SMFA)
[Discussion on Tufts University’s relationship with the School of the Museum of Fine Arts]

DEAN GLASER: All right, class dismissed.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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