

**Faculty meeting minutes**  
**3/4/04**

*In attendance:* Ahmed, Burch, Copenhaver, Dangl, Feduccia, Gensel, Goldstein, Harris, Jones-C, Kieber, Kier, Kingsolver, Liljegren, Lohmann-K, Matson, Peet, Peifer, Petes, Pfennig-D, Pringle, Servedio, Stafford, Vision, White, Willett

*Agenda*

Report from Conservation Biology Search Committee – Peter White

- Position housed in Biology & tenured through Biology.
- Half of position from CEP and half from A&S.
- Teaching load equivalent to other recent Biology hires and split evenly between Ecology and Biology.
- comments on all 6 candidates received from 17 faculty.
- 3 candidates each accepted with enthusiasm and committee recommends to offer the position in the following order.
  1. Charles Mitchell
  2. Brian Silliman
  3. Jeb Byers
- Mitchell and Silliman are both considered to have enormous potential to make intellectual contributions to their fields, Byers is considered to be a very solid scientist and great potential colleague. Mitchell's field has considerable growth potential, his presentation was polished, there would be potential for collaborations within the biology department, and he would be a particularly good fit with the position and into the department.

Vote: All in favor, zero opposed