1. Welcome and Introductions: Several new members introduced themselves to the group.

2. Treasurer’s report (membership dues - $10): Kiem reported the estimated balance of the account after this event. Membership ($10) is due to Kiem.

3. New initiatives: New initiatives to engage and support this community were discussed.
   a. Fundraising for Scholarship/Endowment
      Ajay reported that Dr. Kirksey will set up a foundation account for making annual contributions for scholarship.
   b. Sponsor children day out/Spouse day out: This can be done at Wondertorium, Spacewalk, Karate locations in Stillwater to engage children.
   c. Develop external website to provide information to faculty and staff
   d. Provide welcome letter with useful information to new faculty and staff
   e. Reaching out to sister staff and student organizations

Other initiatives include mentorship of new tenure-track faculty. It was advised that the board solicit faculty volunteers who would like to be mentors and faculty who would like to be mentee. Each college may have one liaison faculty who can facilitate this effort and also to encourage new faculty and staff in the college to join this organization.

4. 2015-16 Officers:
   President: Dr. Ajay Kumar, Department of Biosystems & Agricultural Engineering
   Vice President: Dr. Junpeng Deng, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
   Treasurer: Ms. Kiem Ta, Edmon Low Library
   Secretary: Dr. Ravi Jadeja, Department of Animal Science
   Web Chair: Fery Suryadi, IT Software Services
   Executive Committee Members: Dr. Udaya Desilva, Department of Animal Science
   Liaison: Ms. Catherine Vijayakumar, Inclusion Center for Academic Excellence
   OSU Faculty Council Representative: Dr. Chanjin Chung, Department of Agricultural Economics

5. Following officer (2016-17) were elected based on the unanimous vote of the members present.
   President: Dr. Junpeng Deng, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
   **Vice President: Dr. Babu Fathepure, Microbiology (new)**
   Treasurer: Ms. Kiem Ta, Edmon Low Library
   Secretary: Dr. Ravi Jadeja, Department of Animal Science
   Web Chair: Fery Suryadi, IT Software Services
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   Liaison: Ms. Catherine Vijayakumar, Inclusion Center for Academic Excellence (Retiring)
   OSU Faculty Council Representative: **Vacant**

6. Other businesses?