

APPOINTMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

January 8, 2007

To: Dean, School of

Fr: Chair Name, Chair of the Academic Personnel Committee for xyz

Re: The proposed appointment of Dr. Candidate as Assistant Professor, Step XX,
effective July 1, 2007.

The faculty of the School of met to discuss the proposed appointment of Dr. Candidate at a faculty meeting on January 5, 2007. After discussion of the case, the eligible faculty voted enthusiastically and unanimously to recommend Dr. Candidate's appointment as Assistant Professor, Step III, effective July 1, 2007. The vote of a total of 8 ladder-ranked faculty was:

- 6 Yes
- 0 No
- 2 Abstentions (CAP recusal, Dean)

The basis of this recommendation is summarized below.

The discussion concerned Dr. Candidate's recent change in research area, his prospects for researching funding, and how he contributes to the research and academic programs at UC Merced. Specifically, several faculty commented that they were impressed by his success in transitioning from abc research to xyz research. Faculty also commented that there were strong prospects for Dr. Candidate getting funding for his more fundamental work through ... and his "applied" work through The comment was also made that Dr. Candidate understands the abc field really well and is an excellent fit with the program that the faculty want to build, and that his expertise complements well with a lot of people here. Faculty also commented on his engaging nature which shows great promise for teaching and working with students. Finally, faculty commented that Dr. Candidate has previously demonstrated great resourcefulness in successfully completing research without all of the advantages of a fully established laboratory which bodes well for his ability to start up a new lab at UC Merced. Overall, he was deemed to be an outstanding candidate in all aspects of research and teaching.