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Dear Freshman Faculty,

Thank you for joining your new colleagues today as we welcome you to your appointment on the Missouri S&T faculty. You are an integral part of the future of this campus. We are confident you will embrace the many opportunities you will have to contribute to the strategic mission of our institution.

Because your appointment began on or after 1 Jan 2009, I cordially invite you to participate in the **New Faculty Forum** for this academic year. In addition to occasional social events, the Forum meets on one Wednesday of every month. It is designed to give you information and cover issues in a manner that will prove useful to you as you assume your new role here.

I will be contacting you by email about forthcoming montly meetings of the Forum. You will be contacted by email as to dates. Please visit the new faculty website (<http://newfaculty.mst.edu/freshfac>) for the Forum's schedule and to explore other new faculty programs and resources.

If you have not already visited Human Resource Services to fill out all your employment paperwork, please make an appointment with HRS as soon as possible by calling Karen Chapman (x6837). They will start the process for you to get paid, and inform you about benefits and payroll options. Please also make sure you get a photo ID (by the process described in the package you received from HR), and set up an email account with the help of your departmental secretary and/or Information Technology (IT) Solutions Center Helpdesk (x4357).

I welcome you to the S&T community!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron Bieniek".

Ronald Bieniek
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