

helped with numerous tree-related questions related to the route 460 interchange and has been a strong advocate of the university hiring a professional arborist (2019).

Dr. Seiler is a strong campaigner for diversity and inclusion: working closely with CNRE's director of recruitment, giving tours as part of recruitment efforts, and hosting visiting students in his classes. He advocates for training women and minorities in the forestry profession by recruiting talented female students for his research program. In summer months during the program's life, Dr. Seiler worked with Upward Bound students.

Dr. Seiler is recognized by his peers, profession, and university as excelling in his scholarship and making ongoing contributions to the university, the Virginia Tech community, and the forestry profession through his research work, teaching, outreach, and service.

RECOMMENDATION

That Dr. John Seiler be reappointed as Alumni Distinguished Professor effective September 10, 2020 for a period of ten years.

August 25, 2020