FAQ for Food Approvals

- 1. The Chair is hosting a visitor from Africa at a reception in his honor. Appetizers and wine will be served. What fund can be used?
 - Food can be purchased on an allowable gift fund that approves food for food within per diem amounts. Over per diem food costs and alcohol must be purchased using a discretionary fund.
- 2. The Chair of the department is meeting with senior faculty regarding changes to curriculum. The only time when the faculty and Chair are available for meeting is at lunch.
 - Lunch can be paid on a state fund using the food approval form, under the criteria of business meetings.
- 3. A department is hosting an interview candidate for a faculty position. The candidates' travel and meals are paid by the department per Travel regulations. Several faculty will have dinner with the candidate as part of the candidates' interview process.
 - Dinner for the UW faculty can be paid on a state fund with a food approval form under business meeting criteria, or on a gift fund with food approval for amounts up to per diem. Over per diem costs, and purchase of alcohol for the dinner must be paid on a discretionary fund.
- 4. The Chair is hosting a holiday party for faculty and staff, including light refreshments and wine. What fund can be used?
 - A holiday party, or other staff celebrations, must be paid on discretionary funds.
- 5. A central administrative department is interviewing several candidates for a management position. Interviews with multiple groups last throughout the day. A few of the interviewing staff take each candidate to lunch.
 - The lunch may be paid on a state fund with a food approval form indicating a business meeting.