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Spring 2013 Faculty Meeting
Minutes of Meeting – Tuesday May 7, 2013, 12:00 PM
BioScience Center, Gold Auditorium

Chaired by Dr. D. Hayhurst

Faculty present: A. Alimohammad, A. Beyene, L. Demasi, T. Garoma, F. harris, J. Katz, S. Kumar, K. May-Newman, M. Mehrabadi, B. Narang, S. Sharma, J. Supernak, A. Szeto, R. L. Tummala, K. Walsh, B. Westermo, F. Buyuksonmez, E. Engin, A. Plotkin, D. Hayhurst

Faculty Absent: F. Miller, Y. Ozturk, M. Ponce, T. Mitropoulos, K. Morsi, S. Nagaraj, L. Hinkle, G. Jacobs, S. Kassegne, S. Venkataraman, G. Lee, T. Alves Z. Bayasi, R. Betancourt, S. Bhattacharjee, R. Dowell, R. German, M. Gupta, J. Harris, R. Kline, P. Kolen, L. Lee, L. Marino, K. Moon, N. Nosseir, E. Olevsky, M.Sarkar, J. Valdes

Faculty Absent (Excused): T. Impelluso, A. Ashrafi, T. Radniecki, S. Seshagiri

BUSINESS ITEMS:

- 1. Meeting called to order (12:05 PM).
- 2. Approval of the minutes of December 6 2012: Dr. J. Supernak moved, Dr. N. Nosseir seconded. Motion carried.
- 3. The faculty discussed the search of new dean. The search committee said that at least 3 candidates will come for campus interview.
- 4. Dean Hayhurst discussed the 120 unit requirement and pointed out that a request of exemption has been filed by the Provost.
- 5. Dean Hayhurst commented on the exceptional job the students did on Design Day.
- 6. Dean Hayhurst discussed the college metrics and commented on the growing enrollment. The highest (ever) number of students (554) will be graduated.
- 7. Dean Hayhurst commented on the positive research activities in the college. He also mentioned that the diversity is recognized at national level and said that the MESA program will celebrate 30 years. Project Lead the Way and the Veteran Program were also discussed.
- 8. Dean Hayhurst discussed the work that is going to be done (renovation of the laboratories).
- 9. Dean Hayhurst mentioned that \$70,000 has been allocated to fix the second floor (lights etc.). An electric display (monitors) will be installed. Dr. B. Westermo is working on the details.
- 10. Dean Hayhurst announced that Tyler Radniecki (Civil Engineering) is going to leave for personal reasons.

- 11. Dean Hayhurst announced that 3 people will be hired. The challenge is to offer higher salaries to attract new assistant professors. The Dean also mentioned that the cluster hiring review is in progress.
- 12. Dean Hayhurst reported that Aerospace Engineering's Design Build and Fly team placed second in a national competition. Moreover, the event organized for the Curiosity has been successful.
- 13. Dean Hayhurst discussed the budget and pointed out that its level is the highest of the last 5 years. There are \$10million in additional revenues. The Provost will give top priority to new faculty positions.
- 14. Dean Hayhurst discussed online courses and the fact the university wants to have a say in the curriculum. The Dean mentioned that online learning can be part of the solution but not *the* solution
- 15. Adjournment of the meeting: It was moved by Dr. N. Nosseir, seconded by Dr. K. Walsh. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Dr. Luciano Demasi