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May 1st, 2014 Faculty Meeting

Chaired by Dr. M. Mehrabadi

Faculty present: A. Alimohammad, K. May-Newman, F. Miller, A. Beyene, T. Mitropoulos, K. Moon, L. Demasi, A. E. Engin, N. Nosseir, T. Garcia, E. Olevsky, T. Garoma, Y. Ozturk, A. Plotkin, M. Gupta, M. Ponce, M. Sarkar, S. Sharma, T. Johnston, J. Supernak, A. Szeto, J. Katz, R. L. Tummala, J. Valdes, R. Kline, K. Walsh, S. Kumar, G. Lee, A. Ashrafi, S. Venkataraman

Faculty Absent: L. Lee, T. Alves, L. Marino, Z. Bayasi, R. Betancourt, F. Buyuksonmez, S. Nagaraj, J. Harris, S. Seshagiri, D. Hayhurst, G. Jacobs, R. Sabzehgar, S. Kassegne, J. Kennedy, P. Kolen, K. Morsi, B. Westermo, S. Bhattacharjee, R. Dowell, B. Narang, f. harris, R. German

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Meeting called to order (11:05 AM).
2. The minutes of the April 8th meeting were approved (Dr. G. Lee moved, Dr. L. Demasi seconded)
3. Dean Mehrabadi discussed the faculty search status in several departments and mentioned about the issue of PhD students transferring from other institutions to SDSU. Dean Mehrabadi also talked about the Engineering Advisory Board and mentioned that outstanding students and faculty will be recognized at the Senior Banquet.
4. The Dean announced that there are 69 projects from all the departments at the Engineering Design Day.
5. Dean Mehrabadi provided an update on the status of the renovation for the environmental lab E420 and wind tunnel E122.
6. The Dean announced that Irwin Jacobs donated \$75,000 for the preliminary architectural studies of the new engineering building.
7. There was a discussion on the quality of undergraduate students in the college.
8. Faculty discussed a possibility of having a Joint Doctoral Program with UC Irvine.
9. The Republic of Georgia Program and its impact on the college were discussed. Dr. K. Walsh will be interim dean. The program will last 20 years and is expected to be a good source of revenue for the College.
10. The Dean encourages the faculty to join the students at the graduation to leave a good impression of the College on the graduating students and their families.
11. The committees reported to the faculty.

12. The JDP program had several applicants and for the first time they needed to be ranked. There were 7 available slots for 16 applications. The cap of 20 students will be soon reached.

13. The achievements of the faculty in the last few months were announced to the college.

Minutes prepared by Dr. Luciano Demasi