

# COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING FACULTY MEETING Minutes of Tuesday, September 15, 2015 – 11:00am-12:00pm Bioscience Center, Gold Auditorium

<u>Faculty Members Present</u>: J. Abraham, K. Akbari Hamed, A. Alimohammad, T. Alves, I. Battiatio, S. Bhattacharjee, L. Demasi, R. Dowell, A. Engin, T. Garcia, T. Garoma, S. Ghanipoor Machiani, M. Gupta, f. harris, K. Huang, A. Kinoshita, M. Mehrabadi, C. Mi, N. Mladenov, K. Moon, P. Naseradinmousavi, Y. Ozturk, A. Plotkin, R. Sabzeghar, S. Seshagiri, J. Supernak, X. Yang, G. Youssef

<u>Members Excused</u>: R. German (teaching), G. Jacobs (sabbatical), T. Johnston (teaching), J. Katz (teaching), R. Kline (sabbatical), X. Liu (conference), F. Miller (appointment), N. Nosseir (FERP), K. Walsh (Georgia)

<u>Members Absent</u>: A. Ashrafi, Z. Bayasi, R. Betancourt, A. Beyene, F. Buyuksonmez, S. Kassegne, P. Katira, J. Kennedy, P. Kolen, S. Kumar, L. Lee, K. May-Newman, T. Mitropoulos, K. Morsi, S. Nagaraj, B. Narang, E. Olevsky, V. Ponce, M. Sarkar, S. Sharma, A. Szeto, R. Tummala, J. Valdes, S. Venkataraman, B. Westermo

Staff Members Present: Marcie Morihiro

<u>Guests Present</u>: Dan Montoya, Senior Director of Development for Engineering, and Amy Walling, Development, University Planned Giving

Dean Mehrabadi called the meeting to order at 11:03am.

## 1) Development - Dan Montoya & Amy Walling

- A) <u>Dan Montoya</u>, Senior Director of Development for Engineering reminded all present that we have until 2018 to raise funds for the new EIS Complex. He also emphasized the need for him to obtain information about alumni and possible donors from Engineering Faculty. As of 9/15/15, we have raised \$3.3 million of the \$30M goal. The \$5.1M gift for the Zahn Innovation Center is not being counted toward the building.
- B) <u>Amy Walling</u>, Development Officer for University Planned Giving handed out brochures and gave an overview of the University Planned Giving Program.

#### 2) Approval of the Minutes of the 8/19/15 CoE Faculty Retreat

The minutes of the 8/19/15 CoE Faculty Retreat was passed unanimously. A suggestion was made that we introduce a category for Faculty members who are not able to attend the Faculty Meetings and are excused for valid reasons.

### 3) Announcements & Updates

A) ABET Visit - The Dean discussed the upcoming ABET visit taking place Sun 10/11 - Tue 10/13/2015. The team leader has pointed out that all of our programs have been using pre-2010 format for PEOs (Program Educational Objectives) and that we need to rephrase our PEOs so they are consistent with ABET's new definition of PEOs.

- B) <u>CoE Assigned Time Policy</u> 78% of the Faculty voted to pass the Assigned Time Policy. The Dean announced that the Annual Reports will be due on the first day of the Spring Semester (Tue 1/19/2017). The Dean will be working with Chris Paolini on placing a template of this report in Google Forms.
- C) <u>Faculty Searches Underway</u> The Dean provided an update on the status of the (8) Faculty searches and (1) Staff search currently underway. The ads for each position have already been posted or will be posted as soon as approval is granted by the Employee Relations & Compliance Office.
- D) <u>EIS Complex</u> The EIS complex construction is progressing on schedule with new building construction set to start in November 2015 through July 2017.
- E) <u>CoE Committees 2015-16</u> The Dean discussed the composition of all the College Committees. He reminded all present that the following faculty members were elected in the last faculty meeting:

CoE Secretary - Dr. Subrata Bhattacharjee

CoE Constitution & Bylaws Committee - Dr. Yusuf Ozturk (Parliamentarian & Chair)

CoE University Promotions & Tenure Review Panel (UPTRP) – Dr. Eugue Olevsky

For the remaining Committees, the Dean charged the Chair of the 2014-15 Committees to call the first meeting of the Committees so that they can elect a new Chair for the corresponding 2015-16 Committees.

# 4) **Undergraduate Studies**

The FTES for the College has had a consistent increase from Fall 2014 to Fall 2015. Only AE remained unchanged (226 to 225). As of September 15, the College has had a 9.45% increase (1608 to 1760) and had the highest percent increase when compared to the other Colleges. College of Education is the closest with an 8.37% increase.

## 5) Graduate Studies

The FY15 CoE Research awards went up from FY14 by 16% and non-Research awards increased by 1.5%. The total (research and non-research awards) increased by 12% to approximately \$5.5 million.

#### 6) International and Other External Programs

A) SDSU-Georgia Program: 1) First cohort – 82 students have applied to the program. 2) The majority of applicants which include the top ranking student in the Georgian national college entrance exam (NAEC) have outstanding records. 3) The majority of applicants (93%) will be on scholarship. 4) The University is in negotiation with the Georgian Government to get help with scholarships and other expenses before the applicants in the first cohort are allowed to enroll in the program. 5) If negotiations are successful, the decision will be made in March whether there would be a second cohort.

## 7) Other Business

- A) Sabbatical & Difference-in-Pay Leave Eligible faculty members must submit applications to their Department Chairs by Friday, 9/18/2015.
- B) Engineering Holiday Luncheon Tuesday, 12/1/2015, from 11:30am-1:30pm, Cuicacalli Private Dining Room
- C) 2016 Engineering Design Day Wednesday, 5/4/2016, approximately 1pm-4pm, ASU Montezuma Hall
- D) 2016 Engineering Senior Banquet Thursday, 5/5/2016, 5:30pm-7:30pm, Parma Payne Goodall Alumni Center

Meeting adjourned 12:07pm

Minutes submitted by Dr. Subrata Bhattacharjee on September 15, 2015