

Minutes of the Engineering College Faculty Meeting
Thursday, October 19, 2000

The meeting opened at 3 PM.

- 1) Minutes from the College Faculty Meeting of April 6, 2000 were approved.
- 2) No questions were asked of members of college and university committees based on last year's reports. However, for current issues, there was some discussion of the proposed changes to the university's policy on outside work for pay. Larry Drzal has prepared an analysis of the changes and is collecting comments to submit to the Provost. Peggy Wade gave some background on how the proposed changes began.
- 3) Four new faculty in the College were introduced by Departmental representatives.
- 4) Tom Wolff presented some data and discussed some issues regarding undergraduate enrollment. He is available to discuss any issues in further detail if any Department or individual so wishes.
- 5) Tony Wojcik presented some themes that were in the external review panel's review of the College. The goal was to highlight some common issues that each of the Department's faces in strategic planning. The issue of what is next was raised which should be answered in the coming weeks. It was also mentioned that College and or University leadership may be required to implement some of the recommendations in the external review report.
- 6) Janie Fouke closed the meeting with an update on some events over the past year and her perspective on some issues facing the college in the coming year. The following is an outline of the list of topics she discussed.

Task Forces from last year

Bioengineering

- NSF award (~\$0.5K)
- Curriculum (options in Mech Eng, Mech, Mat Sci)
- MSU Foundation award (~\$1.0M)
- Space issue
- Pending proposals
 - NSF curriculum development (~\$0.5K)
 - Whitaker Foundation (new faculty members (~\$1.0M)

Communications and Marketing

New Information Officer - Laura Luptowski

Research Productivity

External Review completed
Feedback relayed by Wojcik

Life Sciences Corridor

Capital Campaign

University-wide "Case statement" being prepared

Construction projects

ARES (still raising money)
CIS (Board approved, site preparation begun)

OTHER ISSUES FROM LAST YEAR

Expanded development office (Hired Kristin Bradley; need to replace Mark Brower)

Task force on computing services

Task force on IGEE

Increased emphasis on support staff training

Focus of alumni board

Development
Industry relations
Strategic planning

ISSUES FOR THE COMING YEAR

Faculty recruiting
Graduate student recruiting
Undergraduate enrollment management
Computer engineering
Continuous assessment of undergraduate program
Recruiting two new chairs
Transition of MSM
Continuing to refine the College strategic plan
Developing the College "Case Statement"
Connections to University committees (?)

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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