

Engineering College Faculty Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
October 14, 2004

Convened at 3pm in EB 3410

1. Minutes from March 18, 2004 were approved.
2. New staff members were introduced by Dr Wolff for the undergraduate office and new faculty members and staff by their respective department chairs or representatives. Dr Patterson, the new chair for the department of Mechanical Engineering, was introduced by Dean Fouke.
3. Craig Gunn discussed the impact of MSU Charitable Campaign, the end date of the campaign, and the target amount.
4. Craig Gunn mentioned the importance of ASEE membership and its impact.
5. Opportunity was provided to ask questions to the College committees and University committee representatives.
6. The College committees and University committee representatives presented a very brief summary of their significant activities:
  - a. ECAC : Dr Tim Grotjohn discussed the review process for Dean Fouke and the introduction of the new college-level Promotion and Tenure Committee
  - b. ECAC: Dr Jon Sticklen mentioned some of the numerous issues ongoing at the academic and faculty councils
7. Dr Wolff summarized the recent ABET accreditation visit.
8. Dr Wolff summarized the “admit when ready” pilot program for admitting some students earlier than 56 credits and its potential advantages.
9. Dr Wolff presented the numerous activities planned for February 2005 (Alumni Distinguished Scholars weekends, Internal MSU recruiting and career event, SET day, Engineer’s week, MSU sesquicentennial).
10. Dr Wolff discussed current enrollment trends for the College of Engineering (real data and 3-year moving average for enrollment).
11. Dr Rosenberg presented the current situation and trends with respect to graduate student numbers (enrollment numbers and degrees completed).
12. Dr Rosenberg provided an overview of the current college ranking with respect to other Big Ten schools.
13. Dean Fouke commented on
  - a. Welcome for new faculty
  - b. Hiring plans for new faculty members in ME, CEE, CSE
  - c. Budget status for the college (2004-2005)
  - d. Ongoing and future construction projects
  - e. Admit when ready program
  - f. Grants accounting
  - g. Status of development efforts
  - h. Capital Campaign status
  - i. Various issues with respect to indirect costs, fringe benefits, salary increases

j. Status of the sesquicentennial celebration for engineering

Meeting adjourned at 4:30am

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