Faculty Meeting
Minutes
September 8, 2017
Easton Hub


Dean Thomas N. Farris called the meeting to order at 3:12 pm.

The minutes of the Faculty Meeting held on April 14, 2017 were approved.

- Dean’s Report:
  - An excellent year:
    - Negative attrition (due to undergraduate transferring)
    - Average SAT 1400 for incoming class
    - Anticipate a modest 1% growth in undergraduate enrollment
    - Slight decrease in graduate enrollment
    - Active faculty recruiting (seven) – 6 bring research funding with them
    - Our own FY17 research funding not closed yet but shows awards are up
    - High profile publications: Manish Chhowalla publication in *Nature*
    - Some areas of engineering discipline up in USNEWS rankings
    - Departments are organizing for this semester alumni ‘Meet & Greets’
    - Thursday 9/14/17 – Faculty award reception and faculty promotion celebrations
    - Andy Norris to deliver the Gorenstein lecture on 9/28/17
    - Medal of Excellence awards reception honoring alumni on 10/5/17
    - Weeks Hall moving along nicely - beam ceremony to be held on 9/12/17
    - School by laws need to be updated – Hao Lin to take the lead
    - Engineering Tailgate 10/21 – Purdue vs. RU
    - Various search committees: L. Young to return to faculty – Marianthi Ierapetritou on committee for replacement; Vice
Introduction of New Faculty:
CBE – Marianthi Ierapetritou introduces Dr. Alex Bertuccio, Assistant Teaching Professor
ECE – Narayan Mandayam introduces Drs. Yingying Chen, Professor, Michael Wu, Assistant Professor, and Salim El Rouayheb, Assistant Professor
ISE – Mohsen Jafari introduces Zhimin Xi, Assistant Professor
MAE – Alberto Cuitino introduces Drs. Onur Bigen, Assistant Professor, Rajiv Malhotra, Assistant Professor, and Annalisa Scacchioli, Assistant Teaching Professor

Committee reports:
Health and Safety Committee:
1) Meeting with REHS to get a new procedure in place for certifying new faculty labs etc. and for process streamlining
2) Announcing the availability of a lactation room in CoRE (5th floor) and information about how students/staff can get access through ECE

Old Business:
None

New Business:
None

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hao Lin
Secretary, Engineering Faculty