Executive Committee Minutes
January 27, 2014 – 3:30 p.m.
WCH 443

Present:
Akula Venkatram, Chair
Reza Abbaschian
Hyle Park
Neal Young
Jianzhong Wu
Guanshui Xu
Chinya Ravishankar

Also Present:
Eilene Montoya
Natalie Berner

Absent:
Sheldon Tan
Masaru Rao
Mark Matsumoto
Rod Smith

1. Call to Order – 3:40 p.m.

2. Approvals – December 16, 2013 minutes

3. Announcements
   A. Dean
      i. Faculty searches moving forward and departments provided search updates during Chairs’ &
         Center Directors’ meetings;
      ii. There are 11 positions open and goal is to reach 140 faculty
      iii. Budget requests for next year are being put together and asking for 14 additional faculty lines
      iv. Space is major issue when we add faculty
      v. The funding for EBU III is not there; campus is considering an interdisciplinary building but that
         is five year in the future.
   
   B. Associate Deans
      i. Ravishankar
         1. AIS score is at 4500 for incoming freshman for the first round of offers to be admitted.
            The second round will have AIS threshold of 4000.
         2. Our retention has increased 77.1% for Fall 2012 cohort vs. Fall 2009 cohort which was
            63.7%

      ii. Matsumoto - not present

4. Standard Business
   A. Course changes/additions/deletions
      • BIEN 101(change) – approved
      • CSE 120A (change) – approved
      • EE 120A (change) – approved
      • HNPG 023 (deletion) – approved
      • HNPG 037 (deletion) – approved
      • HNPG 037F (deletion) – approved
      • HNPG 037J (deletion) - approved

   B. Program Changes

   C. Bioengineering Undergraduate Curriculum Change – approved

   D. Catalog Changes - none

5. Continued Business - None
• System-wide review: APM025, 670 and 671 (response due January 17, 2014) – response to be drafted by Guanshui Xu and email vote will be taken; note: email vote was conducted and response was submitted to Senate on January 22, 2014

6. New Items

• Proposed Policy on Professional Degree Supplemental Tuition (response due February 5, 2014 - J. Wu)
  o Jianzhong was appointed to take lead in discussion; will be preparing draft response. Email votes was issued regarding the response prepared and the vote was in favor. Response was forwarded to Senate via Alastair Kay on February 4, 2014.

• Conferred Report Summer 2013 (due January 31, 2014) – approval was provided by committee and report was forwarded to Senate on January 29, 2014.

• Undergraduate Enrollment (for discussion - Ravi to take lead)
  o Discussions regarding how the AIS threshold is reached; Ravi provided handouts showing the current departmental targets for new students for Fall 2014; he also provided information on targets for CHASS-2025, CNAS – 1500 and BCOE – 400.
  o Further discussions on retention
  o Student culture – why students prefer not to take more than 15 units; philosophy of just because you do well in high school doesn’t necessarily equate to being able to do well in college.

• Reminder of future meeting dates

7. Adjournment – 4:45 p.m.