

MINUTES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Bourns College of Engineering
January 9, 2008, 9:30 A.M.
A171 Bourns Hall

Attending: Frank Vahid, Chair
Bahman Anvari
David Cocker
Yingbo Hua
Stefano Lonardi
Tom Stahovich
Ertem Tuncel
Deep Shah

Dean Reza Abbaschian, *ex officio*
Associate Dean Mark Matsumoto, *ex officio*
Associate Dean China Ravishankar, *ex officio*

Suzanne McCusker
Rod Smith

Guests: Alexander Balandin, Materials Science and Engineering Program Chair

Absent: Charles Wyman

C. Approval of CS 030 (Continued Business)

-At the last Executive Committee meeting, Tom Stahovich asked that this item be revisited by the committee in order to discuss what was actually approved. To his recollection, the committee suggested Mart Molle and Tom meet to discuss the overlap between CS 030 and the ME courses before the course was to be approved. The other committee members recall that the vote taken was to approve the course, with discussion to begin later. Tom brought this matter to the attention of the ME faculty. The response of the ME faculty was that they do not have a problem with the course, but are concerned with the overlap of the ME courses. The overlap with the ME courses was not mentioned in the proposal. The committee did not want ME to feel that the approval of the course went on over their heads, so it was asked what exactly ME would like to see happen now. Tom explained that the ME faculty did not propose a remedy, but just a concern.

From now on, it will be made clear when voting exactly what the motion is that is being made. Mart and Tom will stay in communication in regard to overlap.

D. Changes to the Information Systems Major Requirements

- BSAD 020A/B are being phased out and will not be offered after next year. The department would like to replace BSAD 020A/B with BUS 020 and add an additional upper-division Business Administration technical elective.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved the proposed changes to Information Systems major requirements. The proposal will be forwarded to the Committee on Educational Policy for review.

E. Changes to the Computer Engineering Major Requirements

- It is proposed that students have the option to take EE 114 or STAT 155 rather than just STAT 155. EE114 and STAT155 cover almost the same material. EE114 has more emphasis on engineering applications, and STAT155 covers topics on statistical inference. So both of them provide the training needed by Computer Engineering students, but each with a different focus.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved the proposed changes to the Computer Engineering major requirements. The proposal will be forwarded to the Committee on Educational Policy for review.