



MINUTES
BOURNS COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
MEETING OF THE FACULTY
June 10, 2015, 3:00pm
Winston Chung Hall 205-206

Attending:

Reza Abbaschian, Dean	Zak Kassas	Tom Stahovich
Chinya Ravishankar, Associate Dean	Eammon Keogh	Kawai Tam
Mark Matsumoto, Associate Dean	Sandeep Kumar	Sheldon Tan
Akula Venkatram, Chair, Executive Committee	Roger Lake	Vassilis Tsotras
	Huinan Liu	Kambiz Vafai
Nael Abu-Ghazaleh	Jianlin Liu	Sharon Walker
Guillermo Aguilar	Lorenzo Mangolini	Albert Wang
Alex Balandin	Hamed Mohssensian-Rad	Ian Wheeldon
Matt Barth	Dimitrios Morikis	Jianzhong Wu
Gerardo Beni	Tassos Mourikis	Guanshui Xu
Harvey Blanch	Nosang Myung	Ruoxue Yan
Phillip Christopher	Walid Najjar	
Marek Chrobak	Iulian Neamtii	
Jay Farrell	Marko Princevac	
Javier Garay	K K Ramakrishnan	
Elaine Haberer	Masaru Rao	
Susan Hackwood	Victor Rodgers	
Yingbo Hua	Amit Roy-Chowdhury	
David Jassby	Christian Shelton	
Tao Jiang	Tamar Shinar	

Also Attending:

Susana Aparicio	Tom Gregory	Alissa Rackstraw
Vickie Austin	Pat Hartney	Steve Ramirez
Roseanna Barron	Madie Heersink	Becki Jo Ray
Bill Bingham	Kent Johnson	Dennis Rice
Mitch Boretz	Janna LeBlanc	Luis Sandoval
Tara Brown	Evelyn Luna	Laura Schulte
Bill Carter	Isidra Martinez	Alicia Serrano
Oscar Caso	Matt McCormick	Maggie Souder
Kim Claffey	Angela Meluski	Rod Smith
John Cleary	Eilene Montoya	Paul Talavera
Cherysa Cortez	Erin Murphy	Adrienne Thomas
Nicole Davis	Emily Nudge	Isidra Villalobos
Katie Dell	Isaac Owusu-Frimpong	Jun Wang
Tom Durbin	Linda Parker	Reneisha Wilkes
Nancy Ford	Rhonda Peterson	Guoyuan Wu
Robert Godoy	Terri Phonharath	Hong Xu

1. Welcome by the Chairperson, Akula (Venky) Venkatram

- Meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.
- Akula Venkatram welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Minutes from the June 2, 2014 meeting were presented and approved.

2. State of the College Presentation

- (Copies of the presentation are posted on College intranet)
- Presented by Dean Abbaschian to include all information regarding
- Undergraduate Program (information prepared by Associate Dean Chinya Ravishankar)
- Graduate Education & Research (information prepared by Associate Dean Mark Matsumoto)
- A video was shown for a year in review of College Activities –theme for slideshow was Jeopardy (the TV game show)
- A video regarding the 25th anniversary celebration was also shown

3. Faculty Action Items

A. A Year in Review & Discussions

- A year in review of Executive Committee activities were reviewed (copies of the presentation may be obtained from College Intranet)
- Professor Venkatram announced the names of BCOE faculty members that are currently serving on Academic Senate committees and thanked them for doing so. Professor Venkatram provided a presentation of the activities and the accomplishments of the Executive Committee.
- Discussions included the following:
 - The role of the BCOE faculty within other Senate Committees is very important. The job/role of any faculty member is not to simply keep agreeing with administration but to make some noise and make a difference. Membership requires engagement. Issues need a champion and dealing with such issues will take time and effort.
 - Endowed Chairs – this became a major issue for some campuses because some campuses allow for anonymous donors. The concern here is what if such a donor was a tobacco company?
 - Academic Salary Increases – this needs further discussion as to how it will be implemented
 - Cluster Hiring – a poll was taken with the faculty in attendance to see who supported cluster hiring and only four faculty indicated that they liked it.

B. Executive Committee Members/Elections

Nominations were presented:

Single nomination was made for

Xin Gee – CEE Representative (approved)

Amit Roy-Chowdhury – ECE Representative (approved)

Lorenzo Mangolini – ME Representative (approved)

Announcement of Akula Venkatram to serve one more year (2015-16) as Chair of the Faculty of BCOE

4. Service Awards

Service Awards for Pioneer Faculty were presented to:

- Jay Farrell (present)
- Matthew Barth (present)
- Ping Liang (absent)
- Gerardo Beni (present)

Service Awards for Pioneer Academic Researchers were presented to:

- Tom Durbin (present)
- Kent Johnson (present)
- Dennis Fitz (absent)
- Bill Carter (present)
- George Scora (absent)

Service Awards for Pioneer Staff were presented to:

- Rhonda Peterson (present)
- Kent Bumiller (absent)

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm – dinner followed