

Engineering, Technology, and Computer Science
Assembly of Representatives
Minutes – November 4, 2013

Assembly Members Present: Ali Alavizadeh, Dong Chen, Todor Cooklev, Suining Ding, Barry Dupen, Brenda Groff, Tom Laverghetta, Paul Lin, Anyi Liu, Dina Mansour-Cole, David Momoh, Hossein Oloomi, Gyorgy Petruska, Gordon Schmidt, Steve Walter, Guoping Wang, Jin Soung Yoo

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Chair Cooklev.

Approval of the Minutes

The October 7, 2013 minutes were approved as written.

Report of Presiding Officer

Comments regarding meeting with Dean Yen:

- Budget and transparency of the budget process: –Information regarding the budget and the budget for several years past is on the website at ipfw.edu/office/ir/profiles. There are also some centers budgets on the website. Most questions can be answered by going to the website.
- Conference Travel – There is no college policy for conference travel. The Chairs and the Dean try to support the research and travel activity of the faculty. This is a department issue and not a College issue, but if someone is untenured and needs travel to gain tenure the Dean will come up with a way to fund the needed travel.

Acceptance of the agenda

The agenda was accepted and approved.

Old Business

Budget cuts:

Questions still remaining for the Dean regarding budget cuts:

- Why was a department given only \$300 for S&E budget when the Overseas Globalization initiatives were fully funded?
- Why only \$300, which is not enough to pay for their accreditation when the Research Centers have fairly plush budgets for travel.
- None of the Centers are self-supporting, so the money must be coming from the Deans budget. The endowments are not going up. Should the Assembly address what are our priorities in terms of spending.
- Budget cuts should be equally and equitably distributed by what the College mission priorities are. Is there nothing in the Deans budget that can be cut? Overseas scholars, STEM etc.

Chair Cooklev will take these questions up with the Dean before the next Assembly meeting.

Committee Reports

Curriculum – D. J. Marshall, Chair - No report

Educational Policy – Paul Lin, Chair - No report

Faculty Affairs – Guoping Wang, Chair

- Associate Faculty Teaching Award (Document 95-96 03):

Faculty Affairs Committee recommended the Associate Faculty Award be suspended until further discussion. The Committee wants to know, if possible, when was the last time the award was given and what the reason was that it didn't continue. Judy will look through the records for these answers. It was noted that the University has created a University Associate Faculty Award.

Nominating – Ali Alavizadeh, Chair

- Article 5, Section 3 of the Constitution (Election of the Chair and Vice-chair of the Assembly):
Proposal dated 10/22/13 (see attached): ETCS Assembly of Representatives Constitution be modified to specify that the Chair and Vice-Chair be elected the first meeting of the school year.
Resolution dated 10/22/13 passed.
- Resolution dated 2/25/80 Vice-Chair becomes Chair the following year:
Proposal (see attached): ETCS Assembly of Representatives eliminates the rule that prescribes the ETCS Assembly of Representatives Vice Chairperson to succeed the Chairperson the following year.
Resolution dated 10/22/13 passed.

New Business

The general good and welfare of the College

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Next meeting

December 2, 2013 in ET 206 at 12 p.m.