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Subject: Summary Committee report for 2014-2015

The Engineering Undergraduate Studies Committee (EUSC) met 12 times during the academic year 2014-2015, primarily to discuss curricular issues, including a variety of course and program changes. Details of these activities may be found in the minutes of the Committee. A number of other issues were considered, including:

1. Teaching Effectiveness. A subcommittee was formed consisting of one student representative (R. Al Dhaneem) and two faculty representatives (A. Lee and L. Genik) to work on developing a mid-semester evaluation form that could be recommended to faculty.

2. Online SIRS forms. The committee evaluated the use of the online SIRS. Brendan Guenther, Michelle Carlson, and Randy Fotiu of the University IT Services and Learning were invited to meet with the committee to consider moving to the online system. It was noted that all courses within a Common Unit Code (CUC) must coordinate (either all online or all paper). Online SIRS are not course specific. After much discussion, it was decided that EUSC would not recommend that the College move to the online SIRS forms at this time, although there was support for having DECs create an electronic SIRS form with an app that would allow students to complete the form in class online.

3. Course changes. Numerous course changes were approved.

4. Program changes for AES, CE, ENE, Computer Science, ME, MSE BS, and MSE Minor were approved.

5. The Computer Science Undergraduate Minor Program Change was approved.

6. Commencement Speaker. A subcommittee of one student representative (V. Ruiz) and two faculty representatives (A. Idema and S. Masten) was selected to review commencement speaker applications and provide feedback to the SEC.

7. Tier One Writing (WRA 1xx). Jeff Grabill and Julie Lindquist from the Department of Writing, Rhetoric and American Cultures (WRAC) spoke about the proposal to offer one single course in lieu of the topical selections. The meeting was purely informational.

8. EGR100. Tim Hinds and Pat Walton presented an update on EGR100.