COLLEGE FACULTY MTG  
MARCH 20, 2014  
MEETING MINUTES

1. Approval of the Agenda  
The agenda was approved

2. Approval of minutes of October 17, 2014 meeting  
The minutes of the October 17, 2013 College of Engineering Faculty meeting were approved.

3. Update on College of University Committees and College Bylaws

4. Update on the Dean Search  
It’s a very aggressive search to find a Dean with a pool of 10 people. The Search Committee and Firm would like to make a recommendation to the Provost in Early May.

5. Introduction of new faculty and staff – Chairpersons  
Chemical – Yue Qi  
Civil – none  
Computer Science – none  
Electrical – Christlieb, Jacovides and Tambirino  
Mechanical – none

6. Update from the Associate Deans  
Wolff – Enrollment projections and admissions up 11%. The number continues to grow. A thought to raise GPAs to enroll in Engineering. There is a focus on recruiting and outreach for the Women in Engineering. Already held a couple of sessions to recruit women. The Center – E-Week Expo had 130 employers attend. They have 94% placement. International Student Placement is very difficult to have employers select them because they can stay in the U.S. for so long. Bernadette went to China and is trying to fix the problem.

Manooch – Graduate Programs rank 55 in 2014 with PhD students and faculty. Have more work to do. All PhD students, Master Thesis Students and Undergraduate Research Assistance will need annual training. As of 3/14 – 90 PhD students still need training. Grad Research Symposium will take place on 3/27/14 with more than 220 research posters. It’s free and open to the public.

Chatti – Administrative update – Jamie Ramos is a new employee in DER. There is a new clerical staff opening. There also is a new OSP Proposal deadline policy. The proposals are to be received by OSP at least 3 days prior to the official deadline prior to the sponsor’s closing/deadline date. Policy is not official yet. On time proposals will take
precedence over other proposals. Research funding is at the 50 million dollar mark. MSU partnered with Battelle groups for submitting a proposal in Clean Energy Manufacturing. The award is between $35 and $70 million.

7. Comments from the Acting Dean, Dr. Leo Kempel
   There will be an Active Violence Training session on March 27th. More sessions will be offered and it will be mandatory in college for all faculty. Exploring the process for making it mandatory for Teaching Assistants as well. We need to encourage participation by all staff. Flood Contingency Planning – Due to the snow melting, we may get less than 2 days notice. If your office/lab is on the first floor or basement, think of what you need to save. Biomedical Update – The next phase is it will be handled by the Board of Trustees and an expected vote will be in April. Completion is expected to be in the summer of 2015. Fund raising – 9 million dollars since July 2013. This is the best year yet.

8. Opportunity for Comments and Questions on year-end reports from college and university committees.
   There were no comments or questions on the year-end reports from College and University level committees.

9. Social Hour
   5:00-6:00 pm Social Hour
   The meeting was adjourned. Social hour followed.

   Copies of the slides presented at the meeting will be available on the College of Engineering web site.

   Respectfully submitted
   Lori Hitchens