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Topics covered by ERC this academic year:
1. In the fall of 2015, the ERC reviewed and ranked several discretionary funding initiative (DFI) proposals. The final rankings and the summaries of the highest rated proposals were provided to the associate dean.

2. In the spring of 2016, the ERC also reviewed and ranked discretionary funding initiative (DFI) proposals. The final rankings and the summaries of the highest rated proposals were provided to the associate dean.

3. Suggestions for improving research in the College of Engineering were discussed.

4. Suggestions for making the email ticketing system more effective were discussed.

5. The attendance at some of the DER noontime seminar talks was discussed.

6. Upcoming changes in proposal processing (KC) were introduced.

7. A need for additional staff to process proposals when DER staff is shorthanded during peak submission times was identified.

8. The ERC is also planning to discuss research core support next week (May 11 or 13).

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