Engineering Faculty Council Meeting Minutes  
*Thursday, February 28th, 2013*

Present:  Julie Jessop, Thanos Papanicolaou, H.S. Udaykumar, Jon Kuhl

Absent: Keri Hornbuckle, Jia Lu

1) Jessop asked for an update on the standing committee activities. Papanicolaou provided an update about the curriculum committee. Other updates on other committee activities will be provided at a later time.

2) Updates on the manual of procedure were provided by Jessop. EFC would like to initiate the process of e-ballotting for the upcoming EFC election cycle. Udaykumar worked with CoE Sarah Williams to identify the best way moving forward with e-ballotting. Williams will work with McNamara. E-ballotting will be done with Qualtrics.

3) Udaykumar provided an update about a recent MOOCs meeting. Several participants, university wide, have indicated interest to use MOOCs but many questions remain pending about its effectiveness in teaching. Jessop suggested that MOOCs may be enabling further the concept of “fast food mentality” in learning.

4) A FPOA update was provided. All EFC members supported the notion that careful changes need to be made, if any. Per Jessop the Dean’s office is fine with being in charge.

Respectfully submitted,

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