Engineering Faculty Council 2015–2016  
Meeting No. 3, August 26, 2015  
Approved Minutes

Present: Profs. Andersen, Dove (chair), Kruger (secretary), and Rethwisch.

1. Prof. Dove called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. The August 19, 2015 minutes were approved.

3. Candidates for the remaining open positions on EFC standing committees were identified, along with a EFC member who would contact these candidates.

4. The EFC discussed charges for EFC standing committees.

5. The EFC briefly discussed the criteria for listing a course as a GEC “Be Creative” component (see attachment) and then added this as a charge to the Curriculum Committee.

6. The EFC briefly discussed the CoE approach to teaching and grading honors courses (see attachment) and then added this as a charge to the Curriculum Committee.

7. The EFC considered two petitions (see attached) sent to the EFC by Megan Allen:
   
   a. The EFC decided that the MUS:1010 Recital Attendance Non Majors course can be used to affirm the Minja Wang petition.
   b. The EFC decided to refer the Jordan Larson petition to the Curriculum Committee.

8. Prof. Dove led a discussion about the Graduate College’s graduate program evaluation, and shared a correspondence between the CoE’s Associate Dean for Graduate Programs and Research, Dean Sonka, and the Graduate College Dean, Dean Keller (see attached). It was pointed out that the Graduate College criteria and metrics differ in some instances from those of the CoE if it were to perform such a review. Further, it was noted that the CoE has not performed a graduate program review in a long time.

9. Prof. Dove suggested the EFC consider working on a plan for reviewing the CoE graduate program. The review would answer the following questions:
   
   a. What is the current status of the CoE graduate program?
   b. Where does the CoE want to be with its graduate program in 5–10 years?
   c. How does the CoE get from its current position to where its wants its graduate program to be in 5–10 years?
After some discussion, Prof. Andersen suggested that if the CoE were to perform such a review, it would make sense to dovetail it with the Graduate College review, since this would save the CoE significant work in collecting statistics over multiple survey years. The EFC decided to find out the timeline for the Graduate College review, and then further discuss the issue.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.