### College of Engineering Faculty Organization (CEFO)

Thursday, December 9, 2021, 11:30am - 12:45pm EPIC G256

### Welcome and call meeting to order

- Meeting called to order by CEFO President Elect Aidan Browne. A. Browne/Glenda Mayo, the President, since she is ill.
- Jim Conrad served as Parliamentarian.

#### Approve minutes from last meeting

- There were 39 people in attendance.
- Motion made by G. Mayo to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### Dean Robert Keyton's Welcome

- Asked OSDS how we are doing recruitment and advising. S. Galloway and C. Blatt have put together a student recruitment and advising plan.
- Early College Dean Keyton and C. Blatt have visited them and are pursuing a collaboration with Corning for financial support of students
- Over summer we were part of a team that submitted a 3million proposal on active learning in engineering with NSF. Mostly focused on early, freshman curriculum to build those courses up across all schools in the UNC system. Waiting for approval.
- State Appropriation to COE
  - Every employee: \$1000 bonus
  - o 2.5% per year for 2 year
  - Timeline bonus by Dec 15 or 23 paycheck. For 2.5% effective July 1 (retroactive), but probably will not see this until ~Jan 15th.
  - Engineering NCs Future...currently in negotiations with UNCC administration .. funds must be used to increase the number of students graduating with engineering degree
- EPIC able to secure NSF Energy Engineering Research Grant
- Advanced manufacturing
- R1 Commission Area of Excellence Selected. Total of 17 areas that were defined, with 10 of those areas involved in engineering. 4 of those are areas where engineering is leading those proposals.
- Strategic planning
  - Oct Board of Trustees approved
  - Now starting to work on Engineering Strategic plan
- Camera crew here last week....broadcast on PBS (national coverage) and top 100 media markets. Will have snippets of William States COE.
- ABET accreditation
- Total enrollment -
  - A little bit of a drop (~100student drop off) and a small drop in incoming freshman and transfers. Grad students are increasing a little.
  - Need recruitment.
- Philanthropy ~20% drop. We do n=have a new development officer, Tim Rogers. Has plans to increase this.

- Research:
  - Need to be strategic about teams and keep putting in proposals.
  - Have money set aside for grant writers. So get proposals in early
- Saw increase in US and world report rankings

### Research Update: Policy 50.5 update by Brigid Mullany, Associate Dean for Research

- This report was presented by Brigid Mullany, Associate Dean for Research
- Question by Dr. Asis Nasipuri: MS focus for funding Brid reiterated that the graduate school focus will be on PhDs. MS not focused on.
- Question: Is it possible to have an employee category hourly graduate student?
- Dean Keynton responded to a concern about grant proofreading (especially for non-native speakers). Plans to subcontract people for this as opposed to hiring a full time person.

#### **Constitution results**

- This report was presented by Jim Conrad, Parliamentarian.
- Constitutional updates that have been in the works for a year have passed.
- Civil Engineering most involved.
- Big changes:
  - Some committees deactivated or renamed.

#### **CEFO** committees (background and updates).

G Mayo reports noone reported any updates.

- o CEFO Executive Committee (CEFEC)
- o College of Engineering Academic Policy and Curriculum Committee (CEAPCC)
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- o College Review Committee (CRC)
- o College of Engineering Faculty Appeals Committee (CEFAC)
- o Strategic Planning and Assessment Resource Team (SPART)
  - Working on ABET
- o College of Engineering Computing Facilities Advisory Committee (CFAC)
- o College of Engineering Graduate Committee (CEGC)
- o College of Engineering Reassignment of Duties Committee (CERDC)
- o College of Engineering Undergraduate Administrative Committee (CEUAC)

#### **Faculty Employment ....Compensation**

This report was presented by Glenda Mayo

#### **Policies Development Timeline /plans**

- This report was presented by Aidan Browne.
- Recap of what we have done.

• All committee documents from 2020-21 effort have been combined into a single document and formatted for consistency

## **New Business:**

• G. Mayo asked for new business. None.

# Adjourn

• Motion made by G. Mayo to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.