

**College of Engineering  
North Dakota State University  
Faculty Council Meeting**

**Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 12:00 – 1:00 PM, Dolve 118**

**Attending:**

**ME:** Alan Kallmeyer, Jordi Estevadeordal, X. Wu, Yan Zhang, Chad Ulven, Yildirim Suzen, Dilpreet Bajwa, Fardad Azarmi;

**CEE:** Achintya Bezbaruah;

**ABEN:** Zhulu Lin;

**ECE:** Ben Braaten;

**CME:** Todd Sirotiak, Eric Asa;

**IME:** Nita Yodo, Om Yadav, Yiwen Xu;

**Dean of CoE:** Michael Kessler

**Assoc Dean of CoE:** Scott Pryor

**Engineering Librarian:**

**CoE Director of Communications and Marketing:** Kyle Bosch

**Lunch:** Cookies and coffee were served.

**1. Call to Order (12:05).** The meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm.

**2. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**

Dr. D. Bajwa moved to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Dr. Braaten. The meeting unanimously voted to accept the minutes.

**3. Presentation by Susanne Caro**

Ms. Susanne Caro who recently started as a Government Information Librarian briefed us of her background and functions as a new NDSU employee. She told us that she is in charge EPA, USGIS and all other government databases. She informed us of the absence of Mr. Jeffrey due to illness.

**4. Recognition of Scholarships**

| <b>NDSU CoE Faculty</b>                                                    | <b>Funding Organization</b> | <b>Amount</b>      |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Dilpreet Bajwa, PI<br>Long Jiang, Co-PI                                    | ND Corn Utilization Council | \$45,422 (2 years) |
| Kenneth Hellevang, PI<br>Dennis Wiesenborn, Co-PI<br>Ewumbua Monono, Co-PI | ND Soy Council              | \$33,316 (1 year)  |

A graduate student in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Velmanickam Logeeshan (Advisor: Dharmakeerthi Nawarathna) has been awarded the College of Graduate and Interdisciplinary Studies Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship for 2018-2019.

**5. Reports from the University Senate Executive Committee and Senate**

Dr. Bajwa informed the meeting that there was a senate resolution about students' rights in regards to missing classes and makeup examinations which was voted down.

**5. College and University Committee Reports/Announcements**

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The college's PT&E committee had not conducted any business since the previous semester and had nothing to report.

Dr. Steele could not attend the meeting today.

Dr. Estevadeordal informed the meeting that the deadline for research and graduate committee awards is next week. The committee welcomes new nominations for the distinguished lecturer series.

**6. Changes to CoE Faculty Byelaws – Final Vote.**

Dr. Ulven moved to accept the changes to our college Bye-laws, which was seconded by Dr. Yadav. Faculty present at the meeting voted by a unanimous vote to accept the proposed changes. In accordance with an earlier suggestion by Dr. Steele, the date of the changes to the document will be noted.

**8. Announcements by Dean and Associate Dean**

Dean Mike informed us that the Order of the Engineer Induction ceremony which is slated for May 11<sup>th</sup>(11 am) would be followed by a graduation reception to be hosted by the college. He indicated that the college now has a 24-member advisory committee, who would hold their first meeting on May 04. The committee's aims are advising, advancing and advocacy. The feasibility studies of the new building would be released a week before its due date. In answer to a question by a member, the dean indicated that it will not be possible to hire a college grant writer this year but the matter will be revisited in the next fiscal year. Software for grants processing will debut in October 2018.

**9. Other Announcements.**

According to Dr. Bezbaruah the Grand Challenge program has 17 students and are in need of additional faculty mentors. Dr. Ulven drew our attention to a similar need at the ND Governor's School. Students can also be paired with existing faculty research.

**10. Other business**

Elections for a number of positions will be conducted on May 02.

**11. Adjournment (1:00 PM).**

Dr. Braaten moved for the adjournment of the meeting and its was brought to a close at 12:45 pm.

**Please mark your calendar for the upcoming meetings of the CoE Faculty Council  
(12:00-1:00 PM in Dolve 118)**

**Wednesday, May 2, 2018**