

**Florida International University  
College of Engineering and Computing  
Faculty Council on Governance (FCG)**

**Minutes for Meeting on January 12, 2012**

**Attendees (in alphabetical order):** Amaury Caballero (ECE), Shu-Ching Chen (SCIS), Arindam Chowdhury (CEE), Gene Farmer (CM), Jason Liu (SCIS), Nezhah Pala (ECE), Walter Tang (CEE), Ibrahim Tansel (MME), Yimin Zhu (CM).

**Guests:** Dean Amir Mirmiran.

**1. Introduction and Approval of Meeting Agenda**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Tansel. Agenda was approved.

**2. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of November 10, 2011 FCG meeting was approved.

**3. Report from Dean's Office (Dean Mirmiran)**

- 1) *Good news* on funding and recognition, including ECE/ERC site visit, CE university transportation center award, and Dr. Chowdhury's (at wind engineering) NSF CAREER award.
- 2) *College faculty awards* were announced at last year's Faculty Assembly. Encourage continuing nominations and recommendations. Suggestions were made to recognize the awardees together with the Order of Engineering. The chairs of the College Award Committee and the Order of Engineering Committee will be tasked to investigate this issue.
- 3) *Staff hiring.* The College will have two positions for staff support.
- 4) *Bonus program.* It has been brought to the Faculty Senate that DoR is going to establish faculty research awards for productivity and performance.

**4. Discussion of Important FCG Issues:**

FCG will host Dr. Gil from DoR for a presentation to the engineering faculty. The date is set to be either Jan 25<sup>th</sup> or Feb 1<sup>st</sup> at 3-5 pm. The topic of the presentation will include new research development initiative, research space issue, research salary supplement, and other ongoing initiatives, such as core facilities, internal data safety monitoring board, IRB, IP/TT changes.

**5. Discussion of New Faculty Issues**

None.

**6. New Business, Agenda Items for the Next Meeting**

None.

**7. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 PM.