

Dean's Report for October 9, 2001 Faculty Senate Meeting

Academic Programs

The Department of Mechanical Engineering Technology signed three new articulation agreements with Ivy Tech State College (IVTC), Indianapolis. Accordingly, the graduates of the Visual Communication Technology, Graphic Design and Multimedia Specialty (AS) Program graduates of IVTC may transfer either to the Computer Graphics Technology (CGT), Interactive Multimedia Developer Option (BS) or to the CGT, Technical Animation and Spatial Graphics Option (BS) in our School. Similarly, Design Technology, Computer Graphics Specialty (AS) Program of IVTC, Indianapolis will articulate with our CGT, Manufacturing Graphics Communication Option (BS).

Joint Meeting of Advisory Groups

The third annual joint meeting of the advisory groups of the School took place on September 19, 2001 at the University Place Conference Center. All members of the department and program advisory groups, Directors of the Alumni Board, members of the Dean's Industrial Advisory Council (DIAC), and several faculty and staff members from the School were invited. The keynote speaker was President Myles Brand of Indiana University, accompanied by Chancellor Gerald L. Bepko, who stressed the importance of IUPUI within the IU system and what the future may hold for this campus and the School. President Brand then answered questions of the several of our industry and business partners. The participants were divided into five smaller groups to provide feedback to the Purdue University Strategic Planning exercise in the area of civic engagement.

Annual Report of the School

The annual planning and budgeting process for all academic and support units is now on a fall rather than spring cycle. Our School, therefore, completed and submitted the annual report of the school on October 1, 2001. The report contains the goals as they exist in our 2000-03 Strategic Planning document, selected objectives for each goal, planned activities, achieved results, uses of campus reallocation funds, and new initiatives. Access to the full report is through the url address <http://data.imir.iupui.edu/plan2001/report.asp>.

Purdue University Strategic Planning

As was reported in the September 11, 2001 meeting of the Faculty Senate, the draft documents for the strategic plans for the two Purdue schools at IUPUI have been discussed at the September 25 task force meeting. The feedback from few departments in our School and the School of Science as well as the suggestions from the advisory groups of the School were incorporated into the documents and they were sent to Purdue University President. The Board of Trustees of the Purdue University will review the

strategic plans from all Purdue campuses at the November 2, 2001 meeting. The copies of the final documents will be attached to the minutes of this meeting.

EDDP and Soccer

All of our students in the Engineering Dual Degree Program with Butler University and our freshman-engineering students on campus were invited to IUPUI-Butler soccer game on the evening of September 25. The incoming EDDP students were given a tour of engineering laboratories. IUPUI soccer team beat Butler University team 2-0.

Electric Car Race

The Formula Lightning team competed in an event last weekend organized by Wright State and sponsored by EMCWA at the Mid-Ohio racecourse in Lexington, Ohio. Six universities competed (IUPUI, Ohio State University, Ohio University, Wright State University, Bowling Green State University and West Virginia University). Chris Shultz drove the IUPUI car. The event consisted of 12 laps of the 2.28-mile Mid-Ohio road course. The sanctioning organization was SCCA.

IUPUI qualified 3rd fastest with an average speed of 64.139 mph on Saturday behind Ohio State and Bowling Green. The winner was Bowling Green followed by Wright State and Ohio University. Our team finished fourth and Ohio State finished fifth. West Virginia was eliminated after an accident.

Staff News

The annual Staff Retreat took place on Friday, September 28, 2001 at Bradford Woods. The facilitator was Tatiana Kolovou from the IU Human Resources in Bloomington. Stress release techniques, yoga, and hiking were among the activities on a beautiful fall day.

We are pleased to welcome Dana Hire, the new administrative secretary of the Department of Organizational Leadership and Supervision. She comes to us from the University Library.

Jennifer Angel will be leaving our School at the end of this week to join Eli Lilly and Company. We wish her good luck.