

**PURDUE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY**  
**Faculty Senate Minutes**  
**November 13, 2012**

Representatives in Attendance: Karen Alfrey, Sally Catlin, Jan Cowan, Tim Diemer, Eliza Du, Hazim, El-Mounayri, Mohamed El-Sharkawy, Pat Fox, Patrick Gee, Dave Goodman, Marj Hovde, Alan Jones, Stephen Kim, Brian King, Clint Koch, Feng Li, Chien-Chi Lin, Roberta Lindsey, Rich Pfile, Scott Raymond, Paul Salama, Joy Starks, Dong Xie, Jian Xie

Guests: Nancy Evans, Razi Nalim, Dean Russomanno, Wanda Worley

Presiding: Mark Bannatyne, Faculty Senate President

Meeting began at 11:00 a.m.

Mark Bannatyne asked everyone to look at the agenda for the meeting, and the minutes from the October 2012 meeting after there was a quorum. Copies of the minutes are not distributed at the meeting, but can be found at G:\COMMON\Senate documents in addition to being distributed to all faculty members via the E&T Faculty email at least one week prior to each Faculty Senate meeting. A motion was made to accept the October 2012 minutes; all approved. The agenda for the November 2012 meeting was approved.

**Administrative Report**

Dr. Russomanno presented the following report:

**Building**

1. SELB phase 2 is ranked #2 in IUPUI's capital priorities list, and ranks #4 overall for IU for the upcoming biennium. The request is for \$22 million, making the building equivalent in size to SELB phase 1 (\$27 million), but without the cost of the vivarium and extensive wet labs.
2. E&T and Science have been asked to develop 2 plans: i) programming for SELB phase 2 consistent with IU's capital request; and ii) programming for a larger version (or expansion) of SELB phase 2 that would take into account possible non-State funds that could be used to cover the increased size.
3. Priorities for E&T include programming that was originally planned for SELB phase 1 but was not accommodated due to the reduced footprint, as well as additional space for student collaboration.
4. E&T and Science will identify a working committee to develop these plans. Working parameters, including the allocation of dedicated space between E&T and Science, as well as any other constraints (teaching/classroom versus research space, etc.) are unclear at this time.

**Online Initiatives**

1. E&T is now providing approximately \$52K per year from the IUPUI CyberLab pseudo endowment account in support of innovative online course development. These proceeds will be matched by annual proceeds from the E&T Innovation fund, providing a total of approximately \$104K (based on fiscal year 2012 returns) to the CyberLab. Initial plans include hiring 2 academic

specialists to provide assistance for developing courses that leverage *theCN* (classroom networking). Also, supporting MOOCs will be a high priority. Additional financial support of the CyberLab from Academic Affairs has been requested for strategic online course development.

2. Department chairs have recently been asked to update a master list for our School entitled: "Online Status and Additional Resources Needed for Degrees and Certificates." This information may be used (in-part) to determine candidates to receive support from the CyberLab, as well as other potential support from the School, campus, and/or the IU-Online initiative.

### **Associate Dean's Report**

Wanda Worley presented the following report. The Associate Dean's Report can be found under Attachment 1 at the end of this report.

#### *B.S. in Technical Communication:*

On Friday, November 9, the Indiana Commission for Higher Education approved the new B.S in Technical Communication. Wanda Worley noted that the school was very pleased with this degree approval. This is the first B.S. program in Indiana in technical communication. The degree is also unique in that there aren't many B.S. degrees in technical communication. Most technical communication degrees are B.A. degrees offered in Schools of Liberal Arts. The process for this degree started about two years ago. TCM will begin enrolling students fall 2013 for this degree.

#### *Lunch 'n Learn:*

This month's Lunch 'n Learn, *Promotion and Tenure Workshop for E&T Faculty*, is tomorrow, Wednesday, November 14, 2012, 12:00-1:30 p.m., in SL 165. There is still room if you wish to attend; we may not have a lunch for you, but you may still attend. Ed Berbari and Elaine Cooney will present the workshop. If you are working towards promotion or tenure, it will be good to attend.

The remaining Lunch 'n Learn sessions are attached to this report (Attachment 1).

Last month's session was well attended and Worley thanked Erich Bauer and Jennifer Beasley who are consultants with the Center for Teaching and Learning. They presented the session *Developing or Enhancing Online and Hybrid Courses*.

#### *Oncourse Workshops:*

The school is also offering two Oncourse workshops for E&T faculty. A few faculty do not know how to use the Tests & Surveys tool, and many faculty are not totally comfortable with this tool.

The first workshop is Friday, November 16, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, ET 224, which will focus on using the Tests & Surveys tool.

The second workshop is Friday, November 30, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, ET 224, which will offer an open format to answer any questions you have about using Oncourse. The Gradebook and Assignments tools will be covered if time allows.

RSVP to Susie Bradley ([susjbrad@iupui.edu](mailto:susjbrad@iupui.edu)) if you plan to attend.

*Important Semester Dates:*

November 19 – December 10: Course evaluations open (<https://www.et.iupui.edu/eval/>)  
November 21-25: Thanksgiving recess (no classes)  
December 10: Classes end  
December 19: Grades are due by 8:00 p.m.

*IUPUI's Reaffirmation of Accreditation Update:*

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of North Central Association visited campus last week. Dean Russomanno, Razi Nalim, Wanda Worley, and a few chairs visited with representatives of the HLC on November 6. The meeting went well; there was quite a lot of focus on graduate programs and assessment of PUL's, and whether we are doing a good job of assessing the PUL's. Trudy Banta, Senior Advisor to the Chancellor for Academic Planning and Evaluation, shared with the PRAC committee that all of the comments of the HLC representatives were positive; the representatives stressed that the campus's self-study was so well done that they had most of the information they needed before coming to campus. The reaffirmation of accreditation happens every ten years.

*120 Credit State Mandate Update:*

As you know, all programs have been asked to reduce their credit hours to 120. All of our technology programs are doing this. Associate degrees will be lowered to the state mandate of 60 credit hours.

The engineering programs will be submitting justification reports for exceeding the 120 credit hour mandate. These reports are almost complete and will be submitted to Kathy Johnson, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Education and Dean of University College.

*International Programs Task Force Update:*

The committee met yesterday and is in the information gathering stage. The committee is also meeting Thursday with additional internal colleagues. The committee will meet with the Office of International Affairs in December. If you have not been contacted to meet with this committee and are involved in international activities in any way, please contact Wanda at [wworley@iupui.edu](mailto:wworley@iupui.edu).

*IU Announcement, Big Red II:*

If you are a researcher and have a need for processing massive amounts of data at incredibly fast speeds, IU announced the purchase of a new Super Computer, Big Red II. This new super computer is the fastest university-owned computer in the nation. The computer is 25 times faster than the current Big Red.

**Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs**

Razi Nalim presented the following report. The Associate Dean's Report can be found under Attachment 2 at the end of this report.

**Research:**

As of October 31, the external awards contracted for the first quarter total is \$2.5M. This is great credit to our faculty that have worked hard in getting these awards. We will be hard pressed to match our awards from last year with the current environment with more competition for limited federal funding.

We want to look for a broad range of opportunities; the school is launching an industry interest group for faculty that want to collaborate with industry on research. There will be a kick-off lunch meeting this Friday. Yaobin Chen, Joe Abella, and Razi Nalim will lead the discussion. Nalim noted the school wants to promote working with industry and other organizations. The goal is to develop long term relationships.

Clayton Nicholas joined the school on November 1<sup>st</sup> as Industry Research Development Specialist, and also serves the campus in a research development role. Clayton has strong automotive and industry experience. Joe Abella remains as the Director for Industry Relations.

### **Graduate Programs:**

An email was recently sent about block grant proposals, which are due to Valerie Lim-Diemer on November 30. It is very important to include student publication information. The school hopes to get this information submitted to campus by the December 12 deadline.

The GEM software tool is now operational for staff use; the production version for faculty use and graduate application review is in development.

Purdue graduate school has issued new guidelines for graduate faculty designation. The major categories of regular and special have not changed. Nalim advised tenure-track and tenured faculty are generally designated as regular. Graduate faculty require all faculty who either teach a graduate course or serve on a graduate student committee need to apply for graduate faculty status. If the faculty does not have regular status they will be granted special status. Please make sure those who chair graduate student committees have the appropriate designation. Valerie Lim-Diemer has this information.

### **Discussion:**

There was an inquiry regarding Clayton Nicholas' position. Dr. Russomanno advised that the Vice Chancellor for Research is very interested in using our school as a model of success in building relationships with industry. Clayton's position is 60% funded by the Vice Chancellor and 40% funded by our school. In terms of his career at Delphi, Clayton was more focused in looking for innovative opportunities. Clayton will look at companies, and their trends and needs, and then try to match our capabilities and faculty talents with the company.

Joe Abella works primarily with various IAB's and DIAC, and building relationships at this level versus drilling down to specific opportunities. We know that many of our faculty are interested in getting work related research but they do not have time to build relationships. We hope Clayton can be the faculty member's advocate and potential industry sponsor, and the faculty can concentrate on the actual research.

Nalim noted that with federal labs like Crane Navy base, Wright-Patterson Air Force base, and Argonne Energy labs - you have to approach these organizations like industry, as opposed to Washington funding agencies. You need to develop a relationship which takes a lot of time. Having Clayton and Joe work with these industries can help. Clayton is very assertive and ambitious. Although he has experience with transportation and energy, he will be responsive to any ideas you may have in working with other industry and organizations.

**Budgetary Affairs Committee** – No Report

**Computing Resources Committee (CRC)** – No Report

**Constitution and Bylaws Committee** – No Report

**Graduate Education Committee** - No Report

**Grievance Board** – No Report

**Faculty Affairs Committee** – No Report

**Nominations** – No Report

**Resource Policy Committee** – No Report

**Student Affairs Committee** – No Report

**Undergraduate Education Committee**

Nancy Evans reported on the following items from Undergraduate Education Committee.

*Course Change Requests:*

CIT 34400 Database Security – a pre-requisite change to a recently added CIT course. The pre-requisites for the course are CIT 20300 (Information Security Fundamentals) and CIT 21400 (Intro to Data Management).

**Faculty Senate unanimously approved the CIT 34400 change course request.**

The information for the course change noted above can also be found under:  
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**IUPUI Faculty Council**

Mark Bannatyne advised the representatives for IUPUI Faculty Council were charged from the Faculty Senate to question the renaming of the School of Informatics to the School of Informatics and Computing after they joined with the School of Library and Information Science. Mark Bannatyne, Karen Alfrey, and Nancy Evans wrote and presented the statement to IUPUI Faculty Council on November 6, 2012. Bannatyne read the report to Faculty Senate and the report can be found under Attachment 3 at the end of this report.

The report was read and posted into the IUPUI Faculty Council minutes. There was some discussion and clarification. There was a motion from a member present noted that the IFC support this statement to ensure that there is more transparency in the future.

*For details on IUPUI Faculty Council meetings and meeting minutes, please look at their website:  
[www.iupui.edu/~fcouncil](http://www.iupui.edu/~fcouncil).*

**Purdue Intercampus Faculty** – No Report

**Purdue Faculty Senate**

Marj Hovde advised the Purdue Faculty Senate met in October and most of this meeting was dedicated to the discussion of Purdue West Lafayette going to a trimester. One of the reasons they are looking at this is because the campus is underused over the summer. Unfortunately, this process was begun by upper level administrators and they did not consult with the faculty. The faculty brought up their various concerns during this meeting. Hovde brought up the issue of transfer students between IUPUI and West Lafayette

and how the trimester would work for these students. At this time, Hovde believes they want to beef up their current summer offerings before they move to a trimester term.

Hovde also noted that the Purdue Faculty Senate set up a series of meetings with Mitch Daniels so the senators could meet with the incoming president. Hovde attended this meeting on November 8<sup>th</sup> and noted that everyone sent her really good questions to ask, but unfortunately most in attendance were from West Lafayette, and the questions were centered on this group. The topics included online teaching, heavy teaching loads, quality of Purdue education, etc. Towards the end of the meeting, Hovde asked if Mitch Daniels could meet with our campus. There was a question as to whether Daniels would re-open the Purdue office on this campus. Hovde encouraged the Dean or Faculty Senate to ask Mitch Daniels to come to IUPUI. Dr. Russomanno offered Mitch Daniels to speak at the joint board of advisors last September, but he was unable to attend. Dr. Russomanno will invite Mitch Daniels to speak with our school again once he becomes president.

### **New Business**

Mark Bannatyne will invite John Mainella to present information on the new school website in December.

The meeting ended at 11:50 a.m. The next Faculty Senate meeting will be Tuesday, December 11, 2012, 11:00 a.m. in SL 165.

**Faculty Senate Report from Associate Dean  
for Academic Affairs and Undergraduate Programs  
for November 13, 2012**

Submitted by Wanda L. Worley

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**1. ANNOUNCEMENT: NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION (TCM)**

The Indiana Commission for Higher Education (ICHE) approved a new B.S. in Technical Communication on Friday, November 9. It is the first undergraduate degree program in technical communication in Indiana. Unlike most degree programs in technical writing and communication, it is a B.S. and not a B.A. and is located in a school of engineering and technology and not a school of liberal arts. The B.S. will prepare students for a variety of careers including technical communicator, technical editor, documentation specialist, grant writer, information architect, media designer/developer, medical writer/editor, project coordinator, quality/usability assurance specialist, training developer, validation analyst, web designer, and more. The 120-credit degree program has four core areas: technical communication; science/technology; organizational/cultural dynamics; and humanities/social sciences. We will begin enrolling students fall 2013. For more information, contact Dr. Corinne Renguette, acting director, at [crenguet@iupui.edu](mailto:crenguet@iupui.edu).

**2. LUNCH 'N LEARN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES**

- This month's Lunch 'n Learn, *Promotion and Tenure Workshop for E&T Faculty*, is tomorrow, Wednesday, November 14, 2012, Noon-1:30 p.m., SL 165. Ed Berbari (chair of BME) and Elaine Cooney (chair of ENT) will be presenting the workshop. I encourage you to attend.
- Last month's session, *Developing or Enhancing Online and Hybrid Courses in E&T*, given by Erich Bauer, instructional technology consultant, and Jennifer Beasley, instructional curriculum consultant, Center for Teaching and Learning, was well attended. Many thanks to Erich and Jennifer for a very useful Lunch 'n Learn.

NOTE: Please RSVP only if you plan to attend for sure; the Dean generously provides lunch for everyone and we need to make sure we order the correct number of lunches.

The remaining lineup of the 2012-13 series is attached.

### **3. ONCOURSE WORKSHOPS OFFERED TO E&T FACULTY**

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### **5. IUPUI'S REAFFIRMATION OF ACCREDITATION UPDATE**

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### **6. 120 CREDIT STATE MANDATE UPDATE**

As you already know, the technology programs will be complying with the state mandated 120 credits, effective fall 2013, and the engineering programs will be submitting justification reports for having programs that exceed the 120 credits. The justification reports are nearing completion; we will be submitting these reports to Kathy Johnson, associate vice chancellor for undergraduate education and dean of University College, prior to the Thanksgiving break.

### **7. INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS TASK FORCE UPDATE**



The task force is in the information gathering stage. We met yesterday (November 12) with a group of internal colleagues and have another meeting set for this Thursday (November 15) with internal colleagues. We will be meeting with staff from the campus Office of International Affairs in December. If we have not contacted you and you are involved in an international program activity or know of others in your department or the School who are, please let me know so we can talk with you ([wworley@iupui.edu](mailto:wworley@iupui.edu)).

**8. IU ANNOUNCEMENT: BIG RED II**

In a news release on Oct 9, IU announced plans to replace Big Red (acquired in 2006) with Big Red II, “the fastest university-owned supercomputer in the nation,” spring 2013 ([iuinfo@indiana.edu](mailto:iuinfo@indiana.edu)). The news release also states “Big Red II is the next step in executing IU’s strategic IT plans in support of the university.” If you are in need of processing massive amounts of data at excessively high speeds, Big Red II is your answer. Big Red II is 25 times faster than the current Big Red. The new supercomputer is definitely a boon for all the researchers we have on campus.

**School of Engineering and Technology (E&T)  
Lunch ‘n Learn Professional Development Series  
AY 2012-13 Programs**

The E&T Lunch ‘n Learn Professional Development Series, open to our faculty and staff, provides targeted learning opportunities within the School that augment the professional development efforts at the campus-level. At least one representative from every E&T department/program area is strongly encouraged to attend each Lunch ‘n Learn and to report back to colleagues who were unable to attend. The following topics have been identified for AY 2012-13 based on specific needs and priorities in E&T. The Dean’s office provides lunch.

**November Lunch ‘n Learn: Wednesday, November 14, 2012, Noon-1:30 p.m., SL 165**

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**Topic**            **Promotion and Tenure Workshop for E&T Faculty**

**Speakers**        Elaine Cooney, Chair of ENT, and Ed Berbari, Chair of BME

**Description**    *Gearing up for promotion and/or tenure requires diligence in performing, documenting, and evaluating teaching, research, and service contributions. Learn about updates or changes to guidelines, as well as practical strategies to prioritize work, develop the dossier, and assemble the necessary artifacts for promotion and/or tenure.*

**January Lunch ‘n Learn: Thursday, January 24, 2013, Noon-1:30 p.m., SL 165**

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**Topic**            **Strengthening Student Communication Skills across the E&T Curriculum**

**Speaker**         Corinne Renguette, Acting Director of the TCM Program

**Description**     *We all know how important communication skills are in the workplace. We all want our E&T students to be excellent communicators when they leave our School. Excellent communication skills need to be stressed in every E&T course. This session will focus on ways to incorporate communication activities into your curriculum without adding a lot of work to your workload.*

**February Lunch ‘n Learn: Wednesday, February 20, 2013, Noon-1:30 p.m., SL 165**

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**Topic**            **Understanding and Supporting the Role of IUPUI’s Student Advocate**

**Speaker**         Josh Manlove, Student Advocate Coordinator Educational Partnerships and Student Advocacy Division of Student Life

**Description**     *This session will focus on the Student Advocate’s role at IUPUI. The Student Advocate Office works with students and faculty. Did you know the Student Advocate will visit your class to talk to your students? Attend this session to learn how the Student Advocate can help you manage student situations in your classroom before they become issues.*

**March Lunch 'n Learn: Wednesday, March 20, 2013, Noon-1:30 p.m., SL 165**

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Topic	<b>How to Engage Alumni and Industry Partners in E&amp;T Programs</b>
Speakers	John Mainella, Assistant Dean for Development & External Affairs; Jennifer Williams, Career Services Director; and Joe Abella, Director of Industry Relations
Description	<i>Our students have their diploma ... now what? Studies prove that alumni and industry contributions are directly correlated to their involvement in the school and interest in what we have to offer! Let's talk about ways to connect and keep connected new industry partners and our young alumni and ways to reengage our more "seasoned" industry partners and alumni.</i>

**April Lunch 'n Learn: Wednesday, April 17, 2013, Noon-1:30 p.m., SL 165**

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Topic	<b>Advising in E&amp;T: Update on the State of Advising in our School</b>
Speakers	Danny King, Director of NSAAC, and Wanda Worley, Interim Associate Dean
Description	<i>What is the state of advising in E&amp;T? This session will answer these questions: Where and how is student advising taking place in peer universities? Where and how is student advising taking place in E&amp;T? What are best practices in student advising? How does advising in E&amp;T measure up?</i>

For more information about the E&T Lunch 'n Learn Professional Development Series, please contact

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## Attachment 2: Faculty Senate Report from Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs

November 2012

### Research

- 1) External awards contracted for the first quarter of this fiscal year with PI at the School total **\$ 2.46 M as of October 31**. Congratulations to all awardees for this achievement in a difficult funding and economic environment.
- 2) An ET industry interest group will be launched at this month's research forum. The goal is to exchange experiences and develop faculty in research collaborations with industry and government labs (in contrast to government funding agencies). It is open to all faculty, and structured like the NSF and NIH interest groups launched a year ago.
- 3) Clayton Nicholas has joined the school as Industry Research Development Specialist, and also serves the campus in a research development role. He has strong automotive and other industry experience. Faculty are encouraged to seek his help for working with industry on research and technology development. Joe Abella remains our Director for Industry Relations with responsibility for DIAC and overall industry relations.

### Graduate Programs

- 1) Block grant applications from departments are due to Valerie Lim on Nov. 30. It is especially important to document student publications thoroughly.
- 2) The GEMS software tool for graduate program administration is operational for staff use. Production version for faculty use and graduate application review is in development.
- 3) This Fall, the Purdue graduate school issued new rules for graduate faculty designation. The major categories were not changed. Tenure-track and tenured faculty are generally designated as 'regular' graduate faculty, with the authority to be chair of graduate student committees. Faculty who will teach graduate courses or serve on committees must be approved as 'special' graduate faculty if they do not have the 'regular' designation. Within each category there are now new subcategories.

Attachment 3: Statement from the School of Engineering and Technology Faculty Senate to the Indianapolis Faculty Council

### **Statement from the School of Engineering and Technology Faculty Senate to the Indianapolis Faculty Council**

The members of the Faculty Senate of the School of Engineering and Technology, has noted with interest the announcement made by the Board of Trustees on Friday, October 12, 2012 concerning the merger of the Schools of Informatics and Library and Information Science. We believe that the resulting new school will add strength to those programs affected, and provide new and innovative research possibilities which will bring favorable attention to the new School and our campus. However, we also wish to note that the action of the Board of Trustees in naming the new school has provided considerable discussion among the Faculty Senate of Engineering and Technology. While we acknowledge that it is the duty, and indeed the responsibility, of the Trustees to approve such name changes, we wish to offer some comments for future consideration in regard to how this matter was conducted.

We appreciate that the selected name, “The School of Informatics and Computing”, was given serious consideration by many, and received support from several levels within the Indiana University hierarchy. However, we are concerned that the use of the term “computing” risks causing significant confusion among current and prospective students in the School of Engineering and Technology and the School of Science, as well as in the communities we serve. We do not wish to suggest that it was the intention of the newly named “School of Informatics and Computing” to sell an idea that they exclusively own all computing courses and programs on this campus, but it may very well be mistaken for that very purpose by the citizens of our State and our colleagues at other institutions of higher learning.

A review of the courses offered in departments outside the future “School of Informatics and Computing” reveals that currently there are at least 204 courses being offered on this campus which have either the word “computer” or a close derivative in its title or official course description. Furthermore, the five degree programs that feature computers or computing most prominently in their names and core content – Computer and Information Science, Computer and Information Technology, Computer Engineering, Computer Engineering Technology, and Computer Graphics Technology – are housed in the School of Science and the School of Engineering and Technology. This is a testament to the fact that computing courses are so engrained in departments across this campus that no one school could hope to champion the computing needs of all programs.

What the members of the Faculty Senate of the School of Engineering and Technology wish to respectfully propose is that before any future name changes occur, whether on this or on any other sister campus with which we are attached academically, that the policies as outlined in Circular U9-2012 entitled “Merger, Reorganization and Elimination of Academic Units and Programs Involving Core Schools” (Approved April 12, 2012 by the University Faculty Council as recommended by the Ad-Hoc MRE Committee dated February 23, 2012), be more closely

implemented wherein Provision #1 on Consultation, and Provision #2 on Faculty Response, be adhered to as written which state:

1. "Faculty and student governance bodies shall be apprised of the need or desirability for reorganizing academic units and programs as early as possible in the MRE process of deliberation, so that their informed input may play a prominent and effective role in planning for change. For core schools, this means both the Bloomington Faculty Council (BFC) and Indianapolis Faculty Council (IFC), with notice to the University Faculty Council (UFC). The BFC, IFC, and UFC shall collaborate with administration to constitute an ad hoc MRE review committee for each such proposal, comprised of faculty proportionate to the faculty populations of each school and campus directly involved, and including appropriate representation from other affected units."
2. "Faculty members, librarians and others (e.g., professional staff), on either campus, shall have a reasonable period of time, to be decided in consultation with the UFC Executive Committee and the ad hoc MRE review committee, to provide feedback to the MRE Committee. They shall be invited to send their concerns to the ad hoc MRE review committee or to the Executive Committee of the faculty council on their campus...."

It is felt that by adhering to these policies that a period of open discussion being held wherein all those who have an interest in the public perception of this institution may be heard, would help diminish any misunderstanding or confusion as to the nature of that school in the eyes of all we serve.

Most respectfully submitted to the Indianapolis Faculty Council for inclusion in the minutes on behalf of the Purdue School of Engineering and Technology Faculty Senate this 6th day of November, 2012.