

Engineering Student Technology Committee

Meeting Minutes for March 31, 2005
Lockheed Martin Design Studio, 8:00am

Present: Ryan Fleming, *chair* (CE), Derek Johnson (ChemE), Prof. Kevin Lear (ECE),
Mark Ritschard (ENS), Prof. David Wang (ChemE)

Absent: Prof. David Alciatore (ME), David Bryant (ME), Prof. Jeff Collett (Atmos),
Bryce Eldridge (ECE), Mike Floren (ChemE), Prof. Darrell Fontane (CE),
Henrik Forsling (CE), Kendra Gabbert (CE), Klaus Hartinger (ECE), Doug Hopper (ME),
Amanda Kaiser (ME), David Miller (ChemE), Heidi Shray (ECE),
Russ Schumacher (Atmos), Dr. Tom Siller (Academic Affairs), Luke Van Roekel (Atmos),
Intra-departmental undergraduate (*two unfilled*)

Due to the paucity of attending members, no votes were taken. However, the following discussions involved seconded motions. All of these items will be voted on at the next meeting.

Electronic Classrooms

There has been discussion from professors that the Anderson lab could and should be used as a classroom space. Members that attended the meeting believed that this was not the best use for the Anderson lab and proposed that C211 be improved so it would be used more widely. Ritschard informed the committee that there was an unexpected surplus of money from the budget set for this year '04-'05 in the amount of approximately \$20K. It was moved to use \$12K to \$13K to purchase flat-panel monitors for the C211 Electronic Classroom and reconfigure the classroom ergonomically so that it will be similar to the project at the ERC. This would allow the Anderson lab to remain a general use lab and make the C211 Electronic Classroom far more conducive to teaching. The motion was seconded.

Graduate Scholarships

Regarding scholarships for graduate students: the IT Vice President of the university has eliminated scholarships funded by Charges for Technology and therefore there is no reason to draft new guidelines for the disbursing of these funds since it will not happen in the future. Therefore, it was motioned that the scholarships for '04-'05 which have not yet been distributed be divided equally among the departments to let them decide which students are to be awarded with the primary basis for the award being need. This would allocate \$3650 to each department. Included in the regulation would be the maximum scholarship amount of \$1400 for any award.

SmartBoards

Regarding the surplus money from this year's budget: a proposal to purchase 3 more Smartboards with the remaining money after the reconfiguration of C211 was put forward.

The best time to hold a meeting will be after E-Days and the FE. Therefore, the final meeting will be held on Thursday, April 21 at 8 AM in Studio 7 of the Lockheed Martin Design Studio. A new chairperson needs to be elected at the meeting.

Submitted by,
Ryan C. Fleming