

**CORE MISSION RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 27, 2015**

Rex Gandy, Mohamed Abdelrahman, Martin Brittain, Phillip Brown, Duane Gardiner, Randy Hughes, Jennifer Minke, Chelsea Nkrumah, Bob Paulson, Monica Ratcliff, Bruce Schueneman, Ralph Stephens, George Vargas, Amit Verma, George Weir

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**Announcements/Discussions/New Business**

- A. The minutes from the previous meeting (4-20-15) were approved by the committee.
- B. After final discussion, the recommendation presented by Dean Allen Rasmussen for the reorganization of the Center for Young Children was unanimously approved by the committee. The proposal restructures the position of the director to 50% administrative and 50% faculty, upgrades a position to assistant director, and eliminates an open position. The proposal will be forwarded to Dr. Tallant for his consideration.
- C. After final discussion, one of the options submitted by Provost Rex Gandy to effect change in the Honors College was approved by the committee. The committee unanimously endorsed the option that leaves the organization in place with the Dean of the Honors College assigned part of the time to administrative functions and part of the time to core mission activities. The proposal will be forwarded to Dr. Tallant for his consideration.
- D. After final discussion, the proposal submitted by Provost Gandy regarding the reorganization of the Office of the Provost in conjunction with the reorganization of the College of Business Administration was unanimously approved by the committee. The proposal will be forwarded to Dr. Tallant for his consideration.
- E. Dean Stephan Nix presented two recommendations for realignment of departments within the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering. The first proposal combines the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering and the Department of Industrial Management and Technology. The second combines the Department of Chemical and Natural Gas Engineering and the Department of Environmental Engineering. The result is a net savings in administrative costs that can be redirected to core mission activities. The recommendations are under consideration by the committee.
- F. Dean Dolores Guerrero presented a plan to realign four administrative positions, in the College of Arts and Sciences, to more accurately reflect their core mission functions. Dean Guerrero also proposed combining the Department of Chemistry and the Department of Physics and Geosciences. The result of both recommendations is a substantial redirection of administrative cost to core mission activities. The recommendations are under consideration by the committee.
- G. Dr. Nancy King Sanders, Associate Vice President for Student Success, suggested a reorganization that will eliminate two vacant positions while maintaining a high level of service. This change would free significant administrative costs that could be used to support core mission activities. The recommendation is under consideration by the committee.

H. Dr. Mohamed Abdelrahman, Associate Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies, will propose changes to his department at the committee meeting on May 4, 2015.