

## Minutes of the Faculty Assembly Meeting

January 18, 2006

Faculty members present: John Caruthers, Horace Crater, Lloyd Davis, Basil Antar, K. C. Reddy, Atul Sheth, Kenneth Kimble, Trevor Moulden, Joel Muehlhauser, Joseph Majdalani, John Steinhoff, Monty Smith, Trevor Moeller.

Faculty not present: Chris Parigger, Al Pujol, Rich Ranaudo, Gary Flandro, Bruce Bomar, Narendra Dahotre, Y. L. Chen, Max Hailey, Boris Kupersmidt, Roy Schulz, J. W. L. Lewis, Peter Solies, Bruce Whitehead, Ahmad Vakili.

The faculty meeting was called to order at 10:10 A.M.

The minutes from the 9/7/05 and 10/12/05 meeting were approved

Dr. Joel Muehlhauser stated that so far we have 2.9 million in contracts. This exceeds last years' contracts. Expenditure not known. 6 have applied for Associate VP position Announcement came out week before Xmas, with applications open on 1/9/06.

Dr. John Caruthers: With new arrangements we are not allowed independently to open, search for, or fill faculty positions. The new position is subject to authority from both upper UT admin and UT Dean of Engineering.

Discussion: Concerns of possible conflicts were expressed with this dual reporting system. The new Associate VP may have the authority to have some position below him handle the academic responsibility and line of reporting.

Dr. K.C. Reddy: 172 full and part time students registered, roughly the same as last year. Still there are problems with UTK students registering in our courses.

Dr. Caruthers announced that the Governor is planning on developing facilities at UTSI for high school students who show special talent in mathematics and physics.

Horace Crater  
Faculty Assembly Secretary