

EFC MOTION 2

Background: In Fall 2004, The EFC appointed an ad-hoc committee to review, and as needed, revise Sections 32 and 33 of the College Manual of Procedures (“The Subdivisions”). Upon recommendation from the ad-hoc committee, the EFC makes the following motion to amend Section 33.

MOTION: The EFC moves to amend Article VII, Section 33 of the Manual of Procedure, College of Engineering, University of Iowa, to read as follows:

SECTION 33. Other units. Research centers and institutes recognized by the State Board of Regents that report solely to the dean of engineering shall be administered in accordance with the same principles as those governing departments. Other Board of Regents recognized research centers and institutes that report in part to the dean of engineering shall be administered in consultation with the administration office(s) to which the units report.

Centers and institutes that report solely to the dean of engineering shall adopt a faculty affiliation policy and voting policy. Such policies shall govern the terms under which faculty may affiliate with the unit (research center or institute) and the terms under which such an affiliation can be ended. The affiliation policy may define graduated levels of faculty affiliation with and without voting rights within a unit. While a voting procedure analogous to that described in Section 32 for academic departments should be used as a default, the units can adopt a voting policy that varies from Section 32. The voting policy must be reviewed every five years and adopted by a majority vote of the voting members of the unit.

The leadership of the units that report solely to the dean of engineering shall be provided by an executive officer who shall be recommended by the dean to the University administration and the State Board of Regents for a term not to exceed five years and who shall be eligible for reappointment. When a vacancy exists in the directorship or is impending, the dean shall consult with the unit consultation group that includes the faculty and other appropriate members of the unit as defined by the unit voting policy. Such consultation shall be timely and include the collective closed ballot recommendation of the unit consultation group. The ballots shall be counted and the results announced during the meeting at which the ballots are cast.

The dean shall ordinarily recommend a candidate for appointment to the directorship in accordance with the majority vote of the unit consultation group. In the event the dean’s recommendation differs from that of the unit consultation group, the dean shall report the reasons to them and to the appropriate officer of the University administration. In the event of a new research unit being formed, a different process for recommendation for appointment of the initial director can be adopted; however, the process should involve consultations between the dean and the founding faculty group and other appropriate members of the unit.