

## Mar 3, 2026 ☑ CoSE Chairs & Directors Mtg

Attendees: Mary Lou Dunzik-Gougar Bruce Savage Logan McDougall Chad Pope  
Dustin McNulty Patrick Rault Rene Rodriguez Janet Loxterman Steve Chiu  
Anish Sebastian Andy Holland Blair Devenberg Mikel Mecham Shannon Kobs  
Evan Johnson Jim Widmann

1. Nominations needed: (April)
  - a. Two Executive Committee seats (Engineering and CS) open (3 yr term)
  - b. Two reps needed: University Honors Program Advisory Committee (3 yr term)
  - c. Open Resources Committee- One seat
  - d. University Library Committee- Two seats (one from each natural and physical sciences) (3 yr term)
2. Please ensure faculty are aware of the [Teaching Symposium](#) on March 13, 2026
3. Faculty Spaces Presentation Sergeant Board Room 9:00 March 11th (Jim)
  - Jim mentioned the Faculty Spaces discussion will be happening. The goal is to identify more ways for faculty to interact with other faculty in a social setting.
4. CEI Summit Friday, March 13th, 1:30-3:30 targeting Engineering (Jim)
  - a. Engineering Chairs were added to the invite list. Please add anyone who is going to represent your program.
5. Delaying Start-up Expenditures (Jim, Evan)
  - Jim stated that purchases using startup funds should be delayed until the next fiscal year (after June 30).
  - Evan Johnson will be sending an email to the impacted faculty
  - Emergency purchases needing to be made prior to June 30 will need to be discussed with Jim
  - The deadline to make purchases for faculty whose startups end this fiscal year has been extended to 9/30/26 in coordination with the Office of Research.
6. Summer Grad student support status (Jim, Rene)
  - CoSE will be paying some support out of local funds
  - Grad School is looking into ways to also provide summer grad student support
  - Jim will be checking with Tracy and Karen on when they will know if/when and what funding may be available
  - CoSE encourages faculty to include grad student summer support in grant applications.
7. 3-Yr Plans Discussion(Jim, all):  
[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1HMgrK\\_K89JxGenOPaPaTICg3wCjMo9zW/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=109711982177086015527&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1HMgrK_K89JxGenOPaPaTICg3wCjMo9zW/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=109711982177086015527&rtpof=true&sd=true)

- Jim presented degrees/certificates that are on the three-year plan (see Jim's slides for details)
  - Discussion was had on which degrees/certificates are staying vs. coming off the plan
  - The list must be finalized by March 15th and Jim will be presenting information on any program/certificate plan for the next year to the Dean's Council on 3/31
8. Administrative Support Arrangement with Restructuring (Jim, all)
- Jim presented a draft plan for admin support with the restructuring
  - Discussion and feedback were given by the chairs about the current shared services model and the draft plan
9. December Graduation?
- A discussion was held about the possibility of dropping the December graduation.
  - There was consensus among the chairs that the December ceremony should be kept.
  - Also a request to find ways for faculty to be more included in the ceremony.
10. Lillibridge 126 Cleanout (Jim, Engineering Chairs)
- Jim stated that the dumpster is here for 10 days, and any items needing to be thrown out should be disposed of. There are some things that there are questions about.
  - After the cleanout is completed, the remodel will progress. Following the discussion, some of the chairs headed to LEL 126 to take a look at what was still in there.