10/1/2013 2:30 ME staff meeting (with Dr. Frank)

* Biweekly meeting with Dr. Frank can be merged with the ME staff meeting
  + ECE students still need to meet with him this week as the majority of ECE students were absent
* Dr. Amin’s comment on Needs Assessment:
  + Justification: stealth capability does not need to be discussed as it is not our project’s focus
    - (but I just used it as an example of UAV’s advantages ☹)
  + Otherwise the report was very well written overall
* Dr. Amin requested why the team is building a brand new plane when we have a working design:
  + Current Gimbal system is too cumbersome and not aerodynamic
  + Modular design will be a good mechanical innovation
  + Having a second plane for software testing and backup in case of emergency is a good safety measure
* Budget discussion with Dr. Shih and Dr. Frank
  + ECE can provide financial support for ECE related purchases upon Dr. Frank’s approval
  + Point of contact for ME procurement is Jon Cloos from ME office