

COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

**February 8, 2011 - 2:00pm
Hill Hall 300**

ATTENDEES: Eberhart, Dorgan, Gardner, Greivel, Miller, Reimanis, Scales, Spear, Steel

APOLOGIES: Griffiths, Hitzman, Sacks, Voorhees

GUESTS: Heather Whitehead and Joni Lerud-Heck—Library Impact Statement
Graham Davis—Handbook changes

Eberhart, Senate President, called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS:

- A. Heather Whitehead and Joni Lerud-Heck proposed that a Library Impact Statement for all new courses and programs be requested from library staff in advance of submission to Undergraduate Council. The sentiment voiced by several Senators was that this step was unnecessary for all but major programmatic changes. It was agreed that Gus Greivel will seek input from Undergraduate Council and discussion would continue at the next Senate meeting.
- B. Graham Davis proposed changes to the Promotion and Tenure section of the Faculty Handbook. The suggested changes are intended to promote consistency and clarity. A substantive change to section 4.2.3 of the Faculty Handbook was also proposed. This change would redefine the criteria for promotion to Professor from “National or international professional reputation” to “National **and** international professional reputation.” The Senate agreed to recommend the change to the more restrictive language, but to revisit the issue when the proposed 2011 Handbook is referred for faculty and Senate comment. Graham Davis will submit the agreed changes to the Handbook Committee

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The January 11, 2011 Faculty Senate Minutes were approved.

NOTE: There was not a quorum present on January 25, 2011 for the Faculty Senate meeting.

Planning of an agenda for the 24 March meeting with the BOT was begun. Tracy Gardner will organize a subcommittee consisting of herself, John Dorgan, Hugh Miller, John Spear, Gus Greivel, and Mark Eberhart to propose an agenda at the next Senate Meeting.

Ivar Reimanis led a discussion regarding the proposed absentee policy. Members of the ad hoc absentee committee will be invited to the next senate meeting for further discussions.

The Senate meeting was adjourned at 3:55.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Senate meeting will take place on February 22, 2011 in Hill Hall room 300.