

COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

August 29, 2006 – 2:00 PM

Hill Hall Room 300

ATTENDEES: Andersen, Martins, McKinnon, Mishra, Mooney, Petr, Romberger, Vincent, and Walls

GUESTS: Arthur Sacks -Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, Robert Applegate -President, CSM Graduate Student Association, and Lindsay Rothfelder - Undergraduate Student Representative ASCSM

President Mishra called the meeting to order and welcomed the new senators and guests.

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS:

A. Nigel Middleton

1. Spoke about the reanalysis of the Strategic Plan as there have been many changes since it was written in 2003. These include the projections for undergraduate and graduate students; changes in the tuition structure and COF; actual start-up costs for new faculty; and space on campus.
2. The inauguration of the President Scoggins will probably be at the December commencement
3. Promotion and Tenure committee has three vacancies. The Senate needs to forward to Academic Affairs, a minimum of six nominees to fill these positions.

B. Tom Boyd announced the plus/minus grading for graduate students is now in place.

C. Arthur Sacks:

1. Reorganization Committee will be formed with input from all campus constituencies. Mooney suggested a member on the committee should be from outside the CSM community.
2. Paul Jagodzinski resigned as Department Head of Chemistry and Geochemistry. Dan Knauss will serve as Interim Department Head. Kent Voorhees and Craig Simmons will act as associate department heads.
3. Hall of Justice is in the process of being closed due to safety issues.
4. New faculty orientation begins August 30, 2006.
5. There are 220 new non-resident freshmen. Last year there were 204. Many are international students.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUES: The minutes of the May 2, 2006 meeting were approved.

BOT MEETING REPORT:

A. Mishra reported the PI enrollment is leveling off and also the opportunity to build a graduate program because of competition from other institutions. The Fall 2006 enrollment is 875 new students and 250 graduate students.

BOT would like a Senate/BOT social interaction. No time or format was indicated.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Faculty Affairs Committee - Mishra informed the Senators that last May, the Faculty Affairs Committee recommended that this committee be split into two committees - (1) Grade Appeals Committee and (2) Faculty Affairs Committee - and delete faculty grievance from the Committee's responsibilities. The Senate will consider this at a future meeting.

B. Senate will report to the BOT on the new president at the end of the fiscal year. An ad-hoc

Senate committee was formed to update the Faculty By-laws. Andersen, McKinnon and Petr agreed to serve on this committee.

- C. Senate Elections - The Senators will use Article II.E.4 of the Academic Faculty By-laws to appoint additional senators. A motion to add Rueben Collins to the Senate under Article II.E.4 of the Academic Faculty By-laws was made by Romberger, seconded by Vincent and passed unanimously.
- D. Committee on Committees - Andersen presented the committee's recommendations to the University committees.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

- A. University Committees
 - 1. Budget Committee - Mooney
 - 2. Handbook Committee - McKinnon This committee also needs a replacement for Dennis Readey.
 - 3. Calendar Committee - Dagdelen
- B. Senate Committees
 - 1. Executive Committee of the Senate - Mishra, McKinnon and Vincent.
 - 2. Research Council - Mishra
 - 3. Graduate Council - Collins
 - 4. Undergraduate Council - needs to be appointed
 - 5. Committee on Committees - Andersen will find two members.
 - 6. Faculty Affairs Committee - Vincent will find one member.
- C. Senators will bring names of nominees for the Promotion and Tenure committee to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. New all funds budgets and roll forward budgets and honoring current commitments were discussed. The Senators requested Mishra to invite Kirsten Volpi to present this information at the September Faculty Forum.
- B. Future Faculty Senate Guests:
 - 1. Ralph Brown
 - 2. John Poete

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Candace Sulzbach will be the 2006 Distinguished Faculty Lecturer.
- B. Senators should bring a list of agenda items for the Senate's consideration this year to the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:16pm.

The minutes of this meeting were recorded by Andersen in Jensen's absence.