

COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
September 21, 2004 – 1:30 PM
Hill Hall Room 300

ATTENDEES: Christiansen, Davis, Dean, Eberhart, Honeyman, Mehta, Mitcham, Parker, Romberger, Santi, Voorhees, and Wolden

APOLOGIES: Thiry

GUESTS: Arthur Sacks – Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS:

- A. Sacks announced that the topic for the CSM Board of Trustees retreat will be the implementations of the Strategic Plan and the four focus areas. The retreat will be held October 14 -16, 2004.
- B. CCHE will review programs from the Departments of Chemistry and Geochemistry, Geology and Geological Engineering, and the Materials Science Program this year.
- C. A report entitled "Analysis of Fundamentals of Engineering Exam Performance for CSM Students – October 1998 to April 2004 Exams – A CSM Internal Report – Not for General Distribution" prepared by Professors C. Van Tyne and K. Nelson was reviewed by the department heads/division directors at their last meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Mark Mauer, State Economist, will present a Faculty Forum on Tabor and Amendment 23 on October 23, 2004.
- B. The new Undergraduate Academic Advising Manual was available for the Senators to preview.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the September 7, 2004 Faculty Senate meeting were approved as amended.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING: Santi gave a report on September's CSM board of Trustees meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Promotion and Tenure Committee – The Senate requested that the following professors - Carol Dahl (Economics and Business), John R. Fanchi (Petroleum Engineering), Bruce D. Honeyman (Environmental Science and Engineering), Neil F. Hurley (Geology and Geological Engineering) and Gary R. Olhoeft (Geophysics) - be forwarded to the Vice President for Academic Affairs for consideration to fulfill the two vacancies on the Promotion and Tenure Committee.
- B. Highest Scholastic Honors Designation – was unanimously removed from the table, but after discussion the Senators put it back on the table until additional information could be obtained from the Vice President for Student Life.
- C. Academic Advising Coordinator – The Senators requested that Senate President Romberger report back to the Senate the history of this position and in particular why this position reports to Student Life and not Academic Affairs.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. A discussion on faculty interaction with students was held. It was the consensus of the Senators that participation at campus wide events was an individual's choice as whether or not to attend these events.
- B. Student Honor Code – The Senators agreed to continue the discussion of this topic at their next meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: The following items were added:

- A. Physical Athletic courses taken for credit
- B. Student recruiting and the future financial health of CSM

The next meeting will be October 5, 2004 at 1:30 in Hill Hall 300.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25.