

Colorado School of Mines – FACULTY SENATE MEETING
May 8, 2018, 2:30 – 3:30 pm
Hill Hall 300

Attendees - Members: Reed Maxwell (President), Paul Martin (AMS), Linda Battalora (PE), Tzahi Cath (CEE), Neal Sullivan (ME), Mark Seger (CH), Paula Farca (HASS), Marcelo Simoes (EE), Sumit Agarwal (CBE), Jeff King (MME), Jon Leydens (HASS). **Quorum** was present.

Representatives: Lisa Nickum (Library)

Attendees – Guests: Lara Medley (Registrar), Aurea Tolnay (AA), Cathy Timm (Admin Specialist), Kristine Callan (PH, Team Up Presentation), Carol Smith (University Librarian)

Apologies: Chuck Stone (PH), Vaughan Griffiths (CEE), Bo Sinkler (USG), Heather Lammers (GSG)

(1) Approval of minutes

MOTION to Approve Faculty Senate Minutes of April 24, 2018

First: Seger; Second: Leydens

Approved: 10 yay, 0 nay, 1 abstain.

MOTION to Re-Approve Faculty Senate Minutes of January 23, 2018

Records showing the final approval had been misplaced; committee was asked to formally approve.

First: Seger; Second: Simoes

Approved: Unanimous

(2) FS Presidential Election

Martin shared that candidate must be a full professor and not in their first year. Cath has agreed to run.

MOTION to Approve Cath as incoming Faculty Senate President

First: Simoes; Second: Leydens

Approved: Unanimous

Maxwell asked Cath to calendar June 1st Board of Trustee meeting for outgoing and incoming Faculty Senate President to attend.

(3) Graduate Council Chair

Marcelo Simoes has agreed to serve again. A formal motion was not necessary. All were in favor of Simoes accepting this position.

(4) Undergraduate Council Chair and Faculty Senate Members

Maxwell suggested that Undergrad Chair be filled from current roster of Senators and once a full roster of Senators is complete, request for Undergrad Chair will be made.

The following 3 tenured faculty joining Senate will serve 3 years:

Alexis Sitchler (GE)

Steve Thompson (MME)

Neal Sullivan (ME) – He is a reappointment; he previously took over from John Berger when John left Senate to become DH of ME.

There was an election to select 4 untenured faculty from 6 candidates: The top 4 (in alphabetical order) noted below will serve 2 years:

Gus Greivel (AMS)

Alina Handorean (EDS)

Lisa Nickum (LB) (she moves from LB representative to full member of Senate)

Angie Sower (CH).

MOTION to Approve the Following People to Serve on the Faculty Senate Beginning Fall 2018: Sitchler (GE), Thompson (MME), Sullivan (ME), Greivel (AMS), Handorean (EDS), Nickum (LB), Sower (CH)

First: Martin; Second: Cath

Approved: Unanimous

Martin shared that several committees require Senate person to serve; these committees are:

- Undergraduate Council. Mark Seger would be glad to work with person for transition.
- Research
- Academic Standards – Jeff King (MME) will continue to serve unless people object.
- Assessment
- Budget – Neal Sullivan will continue
- Calendar
- Athletic (faculty oversight of student athletics)
- Handbook
- Library – Paula would like to continue.
- Readmissions

(5) Meeting with outgoing and incoming Senators

The team talked about using the last meeting of the school year to meet and greet with outgoing and incoming Senators. Timm and Tolnay to poll team to determine best date and time.

(6) Faculty Senate Recommendation for Provost

Maxwell thanked all who met with Provost candidates and solicited their feedback. While the ultimate decision will be at the President's discretion; comments from the search committee and Senate will be taken into consideration. He also shared that there is high competition for Provost positions across the country – over 30 institutions are searching. As it relates to the 2 people being considered at this time, Maxwell might suggest that the team request more concrete details about their prior programs they've executed to go below the surface of the formal interview.

(7) Team-Up

Kristine Callan gave presentation on the program (Teacher Education Alliance Mines – UNC Partnership). There are currently 79 students in the program. The direction of the school is to keep it as a separate program as a collaborative effort. Kristine has developed “myth busters” – facts about teacher salary to help students assess their earning potential.

(8) Miscellaneous Business

Items deferred to future meeting include: Bylaw updates and decision to allow voting privileges for USG (and potentially GSG) committee members.

Meeting formally adjourned by Maxwell at 3:25 pm

Next Meeting TBD after checking calendars for outgoing and incoming Senators.