

COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES
FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
October 11, 2011 - 2:00pm
Hill Hall 300

ATTENDEES: Braun, Davis, Dean, Gardner, Greivel, Reimanis, Scales, Spear, VanTyne, Williams, Zhang

APOLOGIES: Hitzmann, Steele

GUESTS: Terry Parker, Provost; Dahl Grayckowski, Registrar; Zach Aman, GSA

Dean, Senate President, called the meeting to order.

Provost Parker reported progress on naming the new college. No new suggestions have come from faculty. Some comparison has been done with other college naming structures, but not extensively. The college would consider naming after a party offering a substantial donation. There was further discussion regarding the issues surrounding the use of the word "engineering" in the new name.

The Associate Provost position will be announced soon. Candidates will be sought within CSM, rather than nationally, in the interest of time and complexity of duties.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- A. Date for the Senate dinner with President Scoggins has been set for November 29, 2011. Details to follow. The Executive Committee is scheduled to meet with Scoggins on October 13, 2011 at 2:00pm. Joe Trubacz agreed to give a Faculty Forum on November 9, 2011. He will present an overview of the CSM financial situation and discuss improvements to Banner. Suggestions for future forums:
 - Union representation - American Federation of Teachers or AAUP as a possible presenters.
 - Pedagogy – Tom Furtak, RISE subproject
- B. The Minutes of 9/27/2011 were approved.
- C. Status of Academic Freedom in Faculty Handbook: a version of the Senate's proposal was approved by the Handbook Committee, the updated version is available online.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

- A. Graduate Council: no report
- B. Undergraduate Council: has not yet met
- C. Research Council:
 - Supporting the research fair "Conference on Earth, Energy and Research"
 - Executive committee: John Spear (CEE), Amadeu Sum (CBE), Jennifer Miskimins (PE), Fred Sarazin (PH)
 - Seeking to get administration more engaged, talking with John Poate
 - Mission statement for the council is in the bylaws
 - Hoping to offer research awards this year
 - Request to pass the word about the Library Lecture series
 - Suggested change of venue
 - Ways to boost attendance were discussed
 - The purpose of the series is to expose the CSM and Golden audiences to the work in various departments

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Committee on Student Admissions/Retention (TG)
 - No items to report, email going out to potential members re first meeting
 - Coordinating with Student Life
- B. Revised Bylaws (TD)
 - Added language regarding terms of membership for the Readmissions Committee
10 members, 4 year terms
More specificity in membership suggested, core needs to be well-represented
 - Non-voting members show up on online committee list, in addition to non-voting members specified in the bylaws
 - BELS added as non-voting member in Undergraduate Council
 - Director Of Institutional Research and Graduate Studies removed from Graduate Council non-voting members list
 - Add Registrar and Director of Graduate Recruiting and Admissions to Graduate Council non-voting members list
 - Redline changes and non-voting member changes approved unanimously, updated changes will be available online
- C. Membership on Senate Committees (CV)
 - Minutes and history for committee available on Blackboard, effort is being made to clean up and organize so that the Senate does not need to maintain this information. Plan is to have this information on the Senate website.
- D. Promotion Committee for Instructional Faculty (TD)
 - Not typically addressed by the University P&T Committee
 - Suggestion to have a Senate representative work with the Instructional Faculty Steering Committee to identify appropriate mechanisms for evaluation for promotion. This proposal could then be considered by the Senate, with the potential of then being conveyed to the Handbook Committee for consideration.
 - Motion to appoint Gus Grieval as representative for committee, approved

Zach Aman announced that a grant will be announced Friday, which allows grad students to partner with faculty to bring in speakers. There are 7 grants available at \$1,500 each.

The Senate meeting was adjourned at 4:00.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Senate meeting will take place on October 25, 2011 in Hill Hall room 300.

Approved,

Anthony Dean,
Faculty Senate President

Approved,

Tracy Gardner
Faculty Senate Secretary

Recorded,

Jennifer P.
Faculty Senate Recording Secretary