COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

September 14, 2010 - 2:00pm Hill Hall 300

ATTENDEES: Eberhart, Gardner, Greivel, Hitzman, Miller, Reimanis, Sacks, Scales, Spear,

Voorhees

APOLOGIES: Dorgan, Griffiths, Steel

GUESTS: Alice Jensen – Faculty Senate

Tom Boyd – Dean of Graduate Studies Wendy Harrison – Associate Provost Zachary Aman – Representative, ASCSM

Alexandra Newman, Graham Davis, Dinesh Mehta, Steffon Rebernack, Cameron

Turner – Representatives of the proposed Operations Research Ph. D.

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

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS:

- A. Tom Boyd described the structure of the proposed interdisciplinary Ph. D. program and its implications for the proposed Operations Research Ph. D. (OR Ph.D.) Tom Boyd fielded questions as did Alexandra Newman and others advocating for the OR Ph. D. Hitzman moved to approve the structure of the Interdisciplinary Ph. D. program; Sacks seconded the motion. The Senate voted 9 to 1 to approve the program with Scales voting against approval. This vote allows those interested in forming an OR Ph. D. to move forward.
- B. Wendy Harrison described President Scoggins' interest in moving forward with an expanded program of "Activity Credits" that would supersede existing Physical Activity (PA) requirements for undergraduates. The Senate has taken President Scoggins' recommendations under advisement and will consider the changes to the PA requirements along with other changes to the undergraduate curriculum that will be coming forward this year.
- C. Aman reviewed the complexities associated with verifying the marital status of students who are attempting to obtain spousal benefits e.g. parking permits, health care, etc. The Senate recommended that Aman form a student committee to identify the issues and procedures that the students believe to be most onerous and bring the findings of that committee to Senate for possible Senate action.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Appointments were made to Senate Committees as follows: Greivel to Undergraduate Council, Spear to Research Council, Hitzman to Graduate Council for fall semester, Reimanis to Faculty Oversight Committee on Sports and Athletics.
- B. Senators volunteered to identify appointments to University Committees and communicate those to Eberhart.
- C. The planning session for the revision to the Faculty Bylaws was postponed until the next Senate Meeting.

D. The Senate approved a motion made by Hitzman and seconded by Greivel to change the degree title "Professional Masters in Mineral Exploration and Mining Geosciences" to "Professional Masters in Mineral Exploration".

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. The Campus Exam Security Policy, indorsed by the Department Heads, was reviewed by the Senate. As explained by Harrison, Student Life will be editing this Policy at which point the Senate will consider the issue.
- B. The Senate recommended that two of the proposed campus wide seminars be designated as student seminars and hence that the undergraduates and graduate students each take responsibility for planning and hosting one of these seminars.
- C. As part of the planning for a Faculty Form in October, Eberhart was tasked with inviting Provost Castillo to the September 28 Senate meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A. The next Senate meeting will be September 28, 2010 in Hill Hall room 300.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.