

COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

March 2, 1999 - 2:00 PM

Coolbaugh House

ATTENDEES: Griffiths, Kidnay, Klusman, Nickum, Readey, Romberger, Underwood, Van Tyne

APOLOGIES: Ely, Ohno and Wendlandt

ABSENT: Lu and E. Pang

VISITOR: VPAA Trefny

COMMENTS FROM GUEST:

A. VPAA Trefny

1. President Bickart is preparing a vision statement for CSM for the next 10-20 years. To aid the President, a 12member committee has been formed. Senators E. Pang and Van Tyne are members of this committee. Over the next two months, this committee will produce a concise statement as to the history of the School and it's role for the future. There are no vice presidents or department/division heads on the committee.
2. CSM's new classroom building was not included in the recent announcement of the recommended \$60M cuts in capital construction around the State.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The February 16, 1999 minutes were approved as amended.

CUFLA: (Van Tyne provided the following written report.)

The CUFLA Workshop was held February 20, 1999 at Mount Vernon Country Club. It was hosted by CSM. There were 29 faculty from CU, CSU, CSM, UNC, UCHSC, UCCS and USC attended. Three discussion panels were conducted — Faculty Governance, Post-Tenure Review, and "Grievance process. Tim Foster, Director of CCHE spoke at the meeting and addressed several questions from the participants.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Executive Committee (Romberger)

1. On-line registration will be available for the 1999 fall semester. The Registrar is concerned that students will stop seeing their advisor once on-line registration is available.
2. The Executive Committee suggested that the Faculty Senate consider honoring an emeritus professor by having he/she carry the mace for an academic procession.

B. Faculty Forum (Romberger) — Forty people attended the February 24, 1999 Faculty Forum. Dr. Andy DiPaolo, Director of the Professional Development Center at Stanford University and Associate Dean of Engineering, was the guest speaker. Dr. DiPaolo has taken the lead of Stanford's program on distance learning.

C. Councils of the Senate

1. Graduate Council (Underwood) — The Graduate Council will meet March 3, 1999 to continue their discussion on credit hours and the funding of graduate students, especially teaching assistants. No changes are anticipated for next year.

2. Undergraduate Council (Nickum) — The Undergraduate Council is studying a course cluster policy proposal from Liberal Arts and International Studies (LAIS) and Economics and Business (EB). Eggert from EB and Sacks from LAIS will be present at the Council's next meeting to answer questions on their proposal.
3. Research Council (Readey) — The Petrophysics Center has been approved. The director is Max Peeters from Geophysics. Peeters is not asking for overhead cost return for this Center.

C. Faculty Senate Committees

1. Committee on Committees (Van Tyne provided the following written report.) — The Faculty Bylaws have been updated as per Senate action on February 16, 1999. A hard copy and electronic copy have been sent to the Senate president, the Recording Secretary and the Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty. The Committee on Committee files will also have a copy.

The 1999 Senate Faculty Committee Membership list has been distributed to the faculty.

The Committee will meet near the end of March/beginning of April to make recommendations to the Senate for nominations to the President for University Committees.

2. Faculty Affairs (Griffiths) — This committee has not met since the last report to the Faculty Senate.
3. Academic Standards (Kidnay) — The first meeting will be March 11, 1999. Agenda items will include (1) the grading system, (2) students repeating courses to increase their GPA and (3) grade inflation. The committee is looking for old reports on grade inflation.
4. Evaluation (Klusman) — Revised evaluation forms for department/division heads and administrators will be distributed this week to departments/divisions and should be returned after spring break. There is a place at the top of the form to indicate whether or not a person feels that they have enough contact with an administrator to evaluate him/her. The committee would like all forms back so they can see how many fall into this category.
5. Sports and Athletics (Wendlandt) — No report.
6. Readmissions (Van Tyne) — No report.

D. University Committees:

1. Budget (Romberger) — The Budget Committee approved the increase in fees for next year.
2. Handbook (Griffiths) — Changes in the sabbatical policy will be going to the Board of Trustees.

E. Ad Hoc Committees:

1. Academic Faculty Salary Committee (Griffiths) — A student has been hired to collect data on faculty salaries including the University of Colorado's Applied Sciences. CSM's data will be compared to this data.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Academic Regulations (Scheduling classes, exams etc.) — No exams, including final exams, are to be given during dead week.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 PM.