

COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

March 6, 2001 - 2:00 PM

Stratton Hall Room 102

ATTENDEES: Curtis, Dickerhoof, Kidnay, Lu, Navidi, Nickum, Ohno, E. Pang, Readey and Wendlandt

APOLOGIES: Frost, Illangasekare, and Klusman

VISITORS: President Trefny

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the February 20, 2001 Faculty Senate meeting were approved.

COMMENTS FROM GUESTS:

A. President Trefny

1. The CPI for the budget will be 4% for the coming year.
2. The Millennium college bill is held up in the Senate's Appropriations Committee.
3. The Academy Planning Council is taking the lead role in helping to develop the framework for a strategic plan. This plan is a work in progress.
4. Dean Romig had a retreat to discuss graduate student enrollment.
5. The Academy has several white papers on various issues.

B. Academic Planning Council (E. Pang) – A task force has been created to look at enrollment, faculty retention, the “noble purpose” of CSM, and the budget. This committee will meet weekly.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Executive Committee (E. Pang) – The department heads/division directors requested that their evaluation by the faculty should take place before the third Friday of February. This is the date that their evaluations of faculty are due. E. Pang agreed that the Faculty Senate would conduct the evaluations prior to this date in the future. The 2001 evaluations will be an exception.

B. Councils of the Senate

1. Graduate Council (Klusman) – No report.
2. Undergraduate Council (Nickum) – Information was given to the Council on proposed wording for the Bulletin regarding writing across the curriculum. Nigel Middleton is proposing a time limit for grade appeal – February 1 for grades received in the fall semester and September 15 for grades received in the spring and summer semesters. If the Council approves this process, the wording will be put in the *Bulletin*. The Council will be discussing whether students should receive academic or activity credit for the two physical education courses that a student now receives academic credit for when the Department of Athletics moves to Student Life. The Senate feels that the students should be consulted on this issue. Nickum will take this back to the Council.
3. Research Council (Ohno) – The Council is recommending that the \$12,000 overhead on sub-contracts to Colorado School of Mines be eliminated. The Research Council is also discussing the legality of using Research Assistants for teaching.

C. Faculty Senate Committees

1. Committee on Committees (Readey) – The Student Publication Committee needs two members.
2. Faculty Affairs (Ohno) – No report. The ad-hoc compensation committee of this committee is looking at retention of faculty, funding family leave and compensation vs.

attracting new faculty. Academic Planning Committee is separate from the Compensation Committee.

3. Academic Standards and Policies (Kidnay) – There are no issues before this committee at this time.
4. Evaluation (Klusman) – No report.
5. Sports and Athletics (Wendlandt) – A memo from Marty Jerston, captain of the golf team, requesting that the Senate review the decision of the Sports and Athletics Committee to increase the golf team's campus leave for spring 2001 from 6 days to 8 ½ days was distributed. A **motion** was made by Dickerhoff and seconded by Readey to endorse the Sports and Athletics Committee actions. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Readmissions (Wendlandt) – No report.

D. University Committees

1. Budget (Dickerhoof) – The following items were discussed:
 - a. *Research Building* – Robert Moore stated that there is State policy that states that no sponsored research is to be conducted in state funded buildings or laboratories. CSM has gotten around this policy by stating that research was part of CSM's education program. To comply with this regulation, it was decided to build a research building without using state funds.
 - b. *Budget* -At the next meeting, ways to balance the 2001-2002 budget will be explored.
 - c. *Compensation* –

The Senators requested more information before they would endorse one budget item over another as their top priority.

2. Handbook (Pang) – A **motion** was made by Wendlandt and seconded by Readey that faculty representation on the Handbook Committee be increased by three. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Promotion and Tenure Committee (Readey) – No report.

- E. Presidential Search Advisory Committee (Readey) – Eight candidates will be brought in for an airport visit in two weeks.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Criteria for Faculty Evaluations (Klusman and Illangasekare) – postponed until March 20, 2001 meeting as neither Klusman nor Illangasekare were present.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Should the athletic coaches be represented by the Faculty Senate or the Administrative Faculty (E. Pang) – The Senate requested the coaches present the criteria as to why they should be represented by the Faculty Senate.
- B. Topic for March Faculty Forum – E. Pang will invite Dean Romig to make a presentation at the March 20, 2001 Faculty Senate Meeting and also at the Faculty Forum on March 28, 2001.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.