

# COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

December 3, 2002 - 2:00 PM

Hill Hall Room 300

**ATTENDEES:** Curtis, Dean, Dickerhoof, Eberhart, Frost, Harrison, Kee, Mitcham, Readey, Ross, Thiry

**APOLOGIES:** Illangasekare and Navidi (on sabbatical Fall 2002)

**VISITORS:** VPAA Nigel Middleton, John Kane, Anne Walker, and Judi Diaz-Bonacquisti

## COMMENTS FROM VPAA NIGEL MIDDLETON:

- A. The Physics MS degree has been changed to MS Applied Physics
- B. Students need a statement beyond the one currently in the "Brunton" regarding plagiarism. The Academic Standards Committee was given the charge from the faculty to develop a policy on plagiarism and present it to the Senate. Upon Senate approval it would then be forwarded the Dean of Students, Harold Cheuvront.

## COMMENTS FROM DIVERSITY STEERING COMMITTEE: John Kane - Chair, Anne Walker, and Judi Diaz-Bonacquisti:

- A. This committee was formed in March 2000 and was charged to advise the CSM community on diversity issues. Their mission is to broaden diversity on the CSM campus.
- B. This committee will become a university committee in the near future.
- C. They would welcome faculty representation on this committee as well as undergraduate and graduate students and classified employees.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** The minutes of the November 19, 2002 Faculty Senate meeting were approved as amended.

**REPORT FROM THE SENATE PRESIDENT:** A response was received from President Trefny indicating that the Senate and faculty would be involved in further discussions regarding the budget.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES:** Harrison stated that new committee appointments do not have to go to the full faculty for approval. This committee will bring its recommended changes to the Faculty Bylaws and the University Committees to the January 21, 2003 Senate meeting. Revisions to the University Committees will be voted on for approval before presenting these changes to the Handbook Committee.

## OLD BUSINESS:

- A. 15th Week – Middleton stated that the third week of semester break should be treated like the 15th week of summer, and therefore, is a week of vacation for the faculty. No departmental meetings or class planning is to be conducted during this time.

## AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

- A. Budget Issues – It was **moved** by Mitcham, seconded by Eberhart and passed the Senate to discuss budget issues before professional degrees.
  - 1. A **motion** made by Mitcham to set up a fund under VPAA where people could make voluntary contributions to help solve the budget problem was not seconded, and therefore, died.
  - 2. A **motion** made by Eberhart, seconded by Mitcham and passed that a preliminary plan to put together a study group to identify who is CSM's constituency, identify what needs to be done to communicate CSM's message to its constituents. Eberhart agreed to lead this group.

3. The Senate agreed with Dean's request that the January Faculty Forum focus on long-term issues with a structured presentation regarding CSM's budget.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Undergraduate Graduation List – It was **moved** by Curtis, seconded by Ross, and passed that the Undergraduate Graduation list provided by the Registrar be approved subject to each individual meeting the degree requirements for his/her degree.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.