(Subject to approval at the 10/26/12 meeting)

DRAFT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
Friday, September 21, 2012
COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES
1500 ILLINOIS ST., COORS BOARD ROOM

Chairman Spaanstra called the Board of Trustees to order in regular session at 9:20am on September 21, 2012 in the Coors Boardroom. Trustees present were Spaanstra, Truly, Vallejo, Bliss, Cowart, Student Trustee Bonucci, Faculty Trustee Dorgan, and Trustee Hutson joined the proceedings by phone. Select CSM executives and directors were also present including President Scoggins, Provost Parker, Assoc. Provost Amery, Senior V.P. Trubacz, Senior V.P. Middleton, V.P. Poate, V.P. Dougherty, V.P. Fox, V.P. Winkelbauer, Assoc. Provost Boyd, Dr. Spear, Ms.Henry, Mr. Morgan, Ms. Boyd, Ms. Bruzgo, and Mr. Han.

II A. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Trustee Truly, seconded by Trustee Bliss, that the minutes of March 29, 2012 be approved. Motion carried 5-0 (Trustee Vallejo abstained).

B. Reports

Chairman Spaanstra administered the Oath of Office to new Student Trustee Stephanie Bonucci.

Board Committee Reports: Trustee Cowart reported that the F&A Committee met on September 11 to review financial reports. The Strategy Committee has not met recently so there was no update.

President’s Report: President Scoggins informed the Trustees of the upcoming purchase of a new High Performance Computer (HPC), which will be the fastest computer at any CO university. The Trustees have received hardcopies of the Library Visiting Committee report and response, as well as a letter from retired veteran parent, which is related to one of the action items on the agenda. The president briefed the trustees on outreach activities and announced that G.P. “Bud” Peterson from GA Tech will be May commencement speaker.

Student Trustee Bonucci announced that ASCSM has changed to USG- Undergraduate Student Government. This year’s Homecoming theme is the “Spirit of Mines” celebrating Mines itself and being a Mines student.

Dr. Fox updated the Trustees on the Athletics Faculty Oversight Committee’s efforts to interview students at the end of their athletic experience to confirm that their athletic and academic experiences are complimentary and to make improvements towards that goal.

Mr. Trubacz updated the Trustees on Mines on creditor ratings and the F&A Committee’s approval of bond proposals.
Dr. Middleton announced that Petroleum Institute recently received ABET accreditation in all five undergrad programs.

Dr. Boyd updated the Trustees on the Graduate School’s enrollment as well as ABET accreditation efforts.

Mr. Han updated the Trustees on actions related to the Colorado Geological Survey.

Mr. Winkelbauer informed the Trustees that the Foundation is almost half way to meeting its $35 million fundraising goal this year, only three months into the year.

Ms. Bruzgo shared information regarding the Alumni Association’s outreach activities in Kuwait as well as planning for the 2013 Alumni Weekend.

Research _______ Dr. Poate reports that research volume in FY12 was up 20% over the previous year, coming in at a record high of $56M. The Mines Geology Museum ranked high as a destination on Trip Advisor, with the Mines campus rated as the 2nd highest ranked activity in Golden (behind Golden State Park). Proof of Concept program is moving forward to award funds.

Financial Report _______ Mr. Trubacz reported that overall, unrestricted activity in FY12 resulted in net revenue over expenses of $8.2 million. This was influenced by increased undergraduate non-resident, graduate, and summer field session enrollment. Looking ahead at the forecast for Fiscal Year 2013, net activity is expected to come in higher than originally budgeted by almost $2 million, due to increased revenues from a larger incoming class and gifts, and increased in expenses related to the increased enrollment and development fees.

C. Action Items

Action Item 1 _______ Mr. Trubacz gave an overview of the proposal for a real property exchange between the Colorado School of Mines and the City of Golden. The purpose is to acquire a parcel of land at Maple and 11th St. owned by the City of Golden in exchange for a parcel of land near Mines Park that is owned by Mines. The Maple and 11th St. property will provide improved access to the Clear Creek Athletics Complex. The Mines Park area property is currently leased to the City, which maintains it as a public park. The lease to the City has 44 years remaining, and the two properties were appraised and valued similarly, so the proposal is a straight trade.

Chairman Spaanstra called the question and Finance and Audit Committee moved to approve the resolution. Motion carried 6-0.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Colorado School of Mines hereby approves a real estate transaction to trade certain Colorado School of Mines property on Lookout Mountain Road in Golden for the City of Golden property at Maple and 11th Streets in Golden, as described herein above.
Action item 2 Mr. Han proposed a new tuition classification for military dependents in response to House Bill 12-1350, which broadens the parameters of in-state residency status of military dependents for tuition classification purposes. The new statute (C.R.S. §23-7-108.7, Tuition classification of dependents of members of the armed forces) allows the governing board of each state higher education institution to adopt a policy granting in-state tuition status to dependents of active duty members of the military if the dependent enrolls in the institution and graduated from a high school outside of CO, as long as the dependent completed at least two years of high school in CO within five years prior to enrollment. The new statute does not require the military member be domiciled in CO at the time of the dependent’s enrollment. Additional, C.R.S. §23-7-108.5 allows governing boards to adopt a policy granting in-state tuition status to dependents of honorably discharged veterans who are domiciled in Colorado for any length of time. Mines currently uses the inclusion of a student on a parent’s tax return as an indicator of dependent status when judging residency in other situations, and will continue to use this criterion for dependents of honorably discharged veterans domiciled in Colorado for tuition classification purposes.

Trustee Cowart moved to approve the resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Truly. Motion carried 6-0.

I. RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Colorado School of Mines hereby authorizes the President to extend in-state tuition eligibility to the following groups who qualify under C.R.S. § 23-7-108.7 and C.R.S. § 23-7-108.5, respectively:

- Dependents of active military members, if the dependent graduated from a high school outside of Colorado, as long as the dependent completed at least two years of high school in Colorado within five years prior to enrollment.

- Dependents of honorably discharged military, as long as the former military member has domicile in Colorado at the time of dependent’s enrollment.

For the purposes of these groups, the Board of Trustees authorizes the School to define “dependent” status according to federal tax guidelines. This resolution is effective immediately, and further authorizes the President or his appropriate designee to implement conforming amendments to relevant school policies and procedures.

C. Information Items

Undergraduate Admissions Report Ms. Boyd reported that we enrolled 1,066 new students this fall. This year’s incoming undergraduate class was the strongest to date, holding the highest ACT and SAT scores (29 and 1301) as well as the largest number of women, international students, and domestic underrepresented racial and ethnic students. The 2013 application cycle began on August 30, and Enrollment Management has already received 3,500 applications.
New Faculty Hires Dr. Parker reported that we added 29 new faculty in FY12, 17 of who are women. There are currently 39 faculty searches authorized or underway (some new, some are replacing retiring faculty or filling vacancies).

Strategic Enterprises Dr. Middleton’s presentation was deferred to the October meeting.

Annual Policy Review Mr. Han informed the Trustees that two current Board-level policies have been affected by Title IX updates and Colorado statutory and Department of Higher Education policies, and recommended that the Board review these in depth at the January 2013 meeting.

Upcoming Events Ms. Gitkind provided an overview of fall events.

Faculty Senate Update Dr. Spear, the new Faculty Senate President, reported that the Senate consists of thirteen senators (tenure/tenure-track and teaching faculty) representing nine different departments. Topics of interest for the Senate include a research lecture series in the library, research awards for pre-tenure and tenured faculty, curating institution-wide research data, a campus daycare facility, faculty representation on campus committees, FACTIR (Faculty Administration Commitment To Improve Retention), naming the two new colleges, improving campus communication, and establishing a university-wide definition of “field session.”

There being no other business, the regular session ended at 11:30am.

Trustee Vallejo moved to go into executive session, Trustee Bliss seconded.

The executive session ended at 12:00p.m.

Secretary, Board of Trustees