Executive Session

The Voting Trustees met at 8am in the Coors Boardroom of Guggenheim Hall.

Voting Trustees present: Spaanstra, Starzer, Bliss, Vallejo, Haddon, Jorden, Truly.

Chairman Spaanstra noted the need to move into executive session to discuss personnel matters per §24-6-402(3)(b)(I) and to receive legal advice per §24-6-402(3)(a)(II) C.R.S.. Trustee Vallejo made the motion, seconded by Trustee Haddon. Approved 7-0.

Trustee Jorden motioned to move out of executive session, seconded by Trustee Bliss. The executive session ended at 9:40am.

Regular Meeting

Chairman Spaanstra called the regular meeting to order at 9:45am in the Coors Boardroom of Guggenheim Hall.

Trustees present: Spaanstra, Starzer, Bliss, Vallejo, Haddon, Jorden, Truly, Harrison, and Jacobsen.

Select CSM executives and directors were also present including President Johnson, Interim Provost Boyd, AVP Heather Boyd, EVP Volpi, Interim Dean Voelker, Mr. Han, Ms. Walker, Dr. Osgood, AVP Middleton, and Foundation President Winkelbauer.

A. Consent Agenda

The consent agenda contained two items: 1) the minutes from the Jan. 29-30 meeting; 2) recommendations for emeritus faculty submitted as follows: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Colorado School of Mines approves the following for University Emeritus and Emeritus status effective on their retirement dates: Dr. Tom Davis, University Emeritus Professor, Geophysics; Dr. Terence Young, Emeritus Professor, Geophysics; Dr. Chester Van Tyne, Emeritus Professor, Metallurgical & Materials Engineering.

Trustee Bliss motioned to approved, seconded by Trustee Truly. Approved 7-0.
B. Action items

Item 1: Approval of Sabbatical Requests  Dr. Boyd stated that the Board has set forth a policy, in accordance with the requirements of §23-5-123, C.R.S., outlining the terms and conditions under which sabbatical leave shall be granted. Dr. Boyd stated that all recommendations have met requirements and that all responsibilities and obligations of requesting faculty will be adequately covered during their absence.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Colorado School of Mines approves the following for sabbaticals for the term(s) indicated.

College of Applied Science and Engineering (CASE)
  Wu, Ning CBE Spring 2017

College of Engineering and Computational Sciences (CECS)
  Ganesh, Mahadevan AMS Fall 2016
  Sharp, Jonathan CEE AY 2016-17
  Zhang, Ruichong ME Spring 2017

College of Earth Resource Sciences and Engineering (CERSE)
  Zhou, Wendy GE Fall 2016
  Davis, Elizabeth LAIS AY 2016-17 (or Fall 2016)
  Lucena, Juan LAIS Spring 2017

Trustee Haddon motioned to approved, seconded by Trustee Bliss. Approved 7-0.

Item 2: Faculty Promotion and Tenure  Dr. Boyd stated that, following the process outlined in the Faculty Handbook, section 8, he was pleased to recommend noted faculty for promotion in academic rank and/or tenure. Dr. Boyd made one tenure recommendation, four promotion and tenure recommendations, and eight promotion recommendations (some accompany a tenure recommendation). Additionally, two new faculty have been offered positions with tenure and three promotions within the teaching faculty are recommended.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Colorado School of Mines approves the listed faculty recommendations of promotion and/or tenure.

Trustee Jorden motioned to approved, seconded by Vallejo. Approved 7-0.
C. Reports and Presentations

Gift Designation Ms. Volpi stated that in 2009 the school was notified that we were the recipient of an unrestricted trust distribution, estimated at $780,000, from an alumnus. The alumnus was interested in promoting the study of laser drilling technology but wanted to leave the decision of the use of the funds to the university. On Oct. 23, 2009, the Board of Trustees designated the gift as $250,000 to support laser drilling activities and $500,000 or the remainder to the construction and equipment of Marquez Hall.

To date, total distributions have been $2.39 million. Per the original Board designation, $250,000 was allocated to the laser drilling lab and the remainder, or $2.14 million to Marquez Hall to reimburse the costs of an uncollected pledge payment. The Finance and Audit Committee is interested in the full board’s perspective on whether a different designation should be made or the original Board decision should stand. After discussion the matter, the Board asked Ms. Volpi to discuss options with Dean Graves and report back at the next board meeting.

Financial Report Ms. Volpi reviewed the February 29 financial statements and second quarter revised forecast.

Faculty Senate Report Dr. Osgood provided an update on recent senate activity, including core values and campus climate.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.