

Faculty Senate Overview

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Faculty Senate Objectives

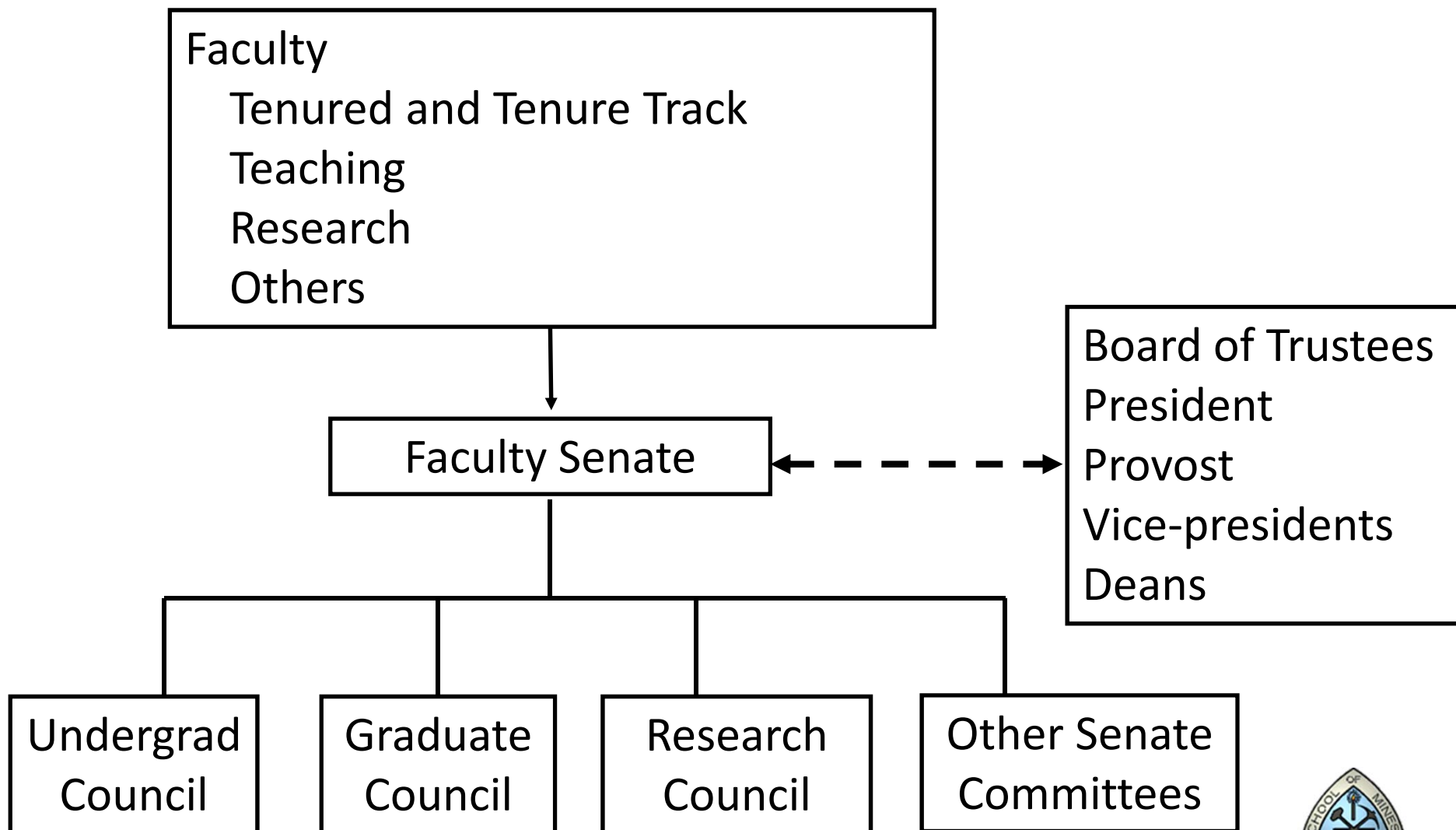
Promote cooperation and understanding among the various constituencies that comprise the University by:

- Providing a forum for the Academic Faculty to **collaborate** with the Administration and Board of Trustees towards **improving** the University;
- Encouraging the **involvement** of the Academic Faculty in the overall operation of the University; and
- Fostering and maintaining a **stimulating atmosphere** for teaching, scholarship, and service.



The Senate's Role at CSM

--How do we fit in?



2014 / 2015 Faculty Senators

1. Corby Anderson – Metallurgical and Materials Engineering
2. Joel Bach – Mechanical Engineering
3. Jürgen Brune – Mining Engineering
4. Lincoln Carr – Physics
5. Graham Davis – Economics and Business
6. Jason Ganley – Chemical and Biological Engineering
7. Uwe Greife – Physics
8. Dan Knauss – Chemistry and Geochemistry
9. Dinesh Mehta – Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
10. Thomas Monecke—Geology & Geological Engineering
11. Ken Osgood – Liberal Arts and International Studies, McBride
12. Kamini Singha – Geology and Geological Engineering
13. Natalie Van Tyne – Epics



Faculty Senate—Does What?

- Promote an effective faculty environment
- Review & vote on CSM-wide issues
- Provide faculty oversight of curricula & programs
 - Three councils, other committees, ad hoc committees and sub committees as necessary
- Gathers campus-wide feedback and acts on it
- Sponsors faculty forums
- Bridge to all facets of administration



Last year's activities include

(in close collaboration with faculty and administration!)

- Brought faculty perspective to strategic plan development
- Input into the rights, duties, processes for Teaching Faculty
- Input into procedures manual promotion process
- Curriculum: minor programs in bio areas
- Curriculum: approval of modified EECS and ME programs
- Undergraduate research fellowships on campus
- Faculty survey with 75% faculty participation
- Campus-wide mentoring plan
- Selection of this year's faculty distinguished lecturer
 - David W. M. Marr – Chemical and Biological Engineering
 - Fall 2014



Ongoing Senate Initiatives Include:

- Recommendations from Faculty Survey results – Faculty Forum
- Role and duties of teaching and research faculty
- Periodic faculty forums and CSM Distinguished Lecturer series
- Meeting and working with the BOT on synergistic ways to promote the University's mission
- Meeting and working with Administration on a myriad of topics relevant to both Faculty and Administration
- **Suggestions? Please send us your thoughts, ideas, comments, suggested agenda items, etc. (contact individual senators or helpdesk.mines.edu)**
- **An Overall Goal:** *Enhance the faculty environment for effective teaching, research, and service activities*

**Meetings scheduled 2nd and 4th Tuesday's at 2 PM
Hill Hall 300**

Always welcome to attend!

**First Meeting:
Tuesday August 26, 2-4 PM
Student Center room 236**

