1. Introductions and welcome

2. President
   a. If you’re interested in becoming an officer, elections will be coming soon!

3. VP Communications
   a. Research Fair details have been announced
   b. Date is 22 April 2010
   c. Submission requirement is 9 April 2010

4. VP International – No Report

5. Social Chairs
   a. Still working on details
   b. Event announcement soon

6. Advisor
   a. Diploma discussion delayed until next week
   b. Please continue to get feedback from your departments

7. Department Reports – None

8. Guest Speaker – Dr. Castillo, CSM Provost
   a. Introductions from group
   b. Received PhD in 1987, went directly into teaching and has been in higher education ever since
   c. Most institutions around the country are up 10% because of economic conditions; Mines graduate apps are up 16%. For 850 freshman slots, we have over 10,000 applications.
   d. Statistics: We graduate 3.7 BS degrees per faculty per year (as of 08-09), about 1.3 MS degrees per faculty per year and a little over 0.2 PhD degrees per faculty per year.
   e. We envision ourselves as being in the top 30 graduate engineering schools. The growth to this point will take about 3 years.
   f. We’re not going to allow our undergraduate enrollment to grow; it will hold constant at 3600 students.
   g. We’re going to try and grow our graduate program, and we’re hiring excellent faculty (along “earth, energy, and environment”). These words are Mines’ niche and we want to be the best in the world in that niche; we don’t want to compete against CU or others.
   h. In an estimate, we currently have about $50 million in research expenditures and we need to raise this to $65 million to meet the goals we’ve put forth.
   i. Regarding biological sciences, the “bio” focus areas (e.g. hydrology, materials, and biosciences) are very important to the school’s three core fundaments.
   j. We also want to put together a teaching program for PhD students who would like to go into academia.

9. Committee Report – Parking Advisory Committee
   a. Parking Advisory Committee has come back with some suggestions on how to improve the situation (all involve an increase in fees).
   b. There are some ideas about metered parking, as well as kiosk implementation, floating around.
   c. The Ford Lot will be redesigned to include approximately 200 lots for next fall (and 240 thereafter).

10. No old business; no new business; no announcements.