University of Colorado Denver
FACULTY ASSEMBLY
MINUTES
Tuesday, December 18, 2001

Present: Richard Bakemeier, Joann Congdon, Mike Glode, Dan Gustafson, Marilyn Kraijcek, Dennis Lezotte; John McDowell, John Sbarbaro, Kathleen Stringer

Guests: Chancellor James Shore, Sarah Ellis, Kim Glasscock, Marybeth Hutchins

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair John McDowell called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

II. MINUTES

The approval of the November minutes was deferred until the next meeting.

III. CHAIR’S REPORT

Dr. McDowell gave a report from the search committee for the Vice Chancellor for Campus Planning and Development. Eight candidates have been interviewed for the position. A short list will be sent to Chancellor Shore by early January. Additional interviews are planned for January 14th. Dr. McDowell asked that the Faculty Assembly members make an effort to participate in the interviews.

IV. CHANCELLOR’S UPDATE

Chancellor Shore distributed and highlighted a number of UCD publications: CU Annual Report, Faculty at Work, 20/10 Vision Statement, and a promotional brochure to initiate the fund-raising campaign for the new library at Fitzsimons. These publications can all be obtained from the Office of Public Affairs.

Dr. Shore reviewed items presented before the Regents Audit and Finance Committee meeting:
- An update on UCH from Dennis Brimhall
- CPH consolidation overview from Chancellor Shore
- Presentation by Dr. Louis Diamond on the SOP compensation plan; the Regents had some questions that will be answered prior to approval.
- Revision of the Master Plan

The Chancellor reported on John Prosser’s graduate students’ presentation of three scenarios for campus redevelopment. He suggested that the Faculty Assembly invite Dr. Prosser to a future meeting to provide more detail. Dr. Shore stressed again that campus backfill would be necessary on the 9th avenue campus until at least 2010.

Dr. Bakemeier asked if the hospital would be available for reuse before that time. Dr. Shore believes that the new part of the hospital will be maintained as a primary care facility and that the basement and first floor may be remodeled to support primary care. The rest of the structure could be reused for other university purposes.

Dr. Shore listed the fourteen research programs have been approved for tobacco money funding. Most of the programs are affiliated with UCD.

The Office of Public Affairs has been renamed the Office of State Governmental Relations.

An article honoring Larry Meskin was recently published in the American Dental Association News. Dr. Meskin recently retired as editor of the Journal of the American Dental Association.

Dr. Shore participated in a Colorado Health Careers Summit. President Hoffman, Dr. Tim Foster, 22 college presidents, and other speakers and participants attended the conference, representing 60 health careers taught and/or credentialed by the Colorado system of higher education. He will share a formal report from the conference next month.

V. New Business

A. Faculty Council Report

Three faculty council committees have joined forces to research and make recommendations based on the Millennium Project at the University of Arizona. The committees--Ethnic & Minority Affairs, Women’s, and Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual--are meeting with the CU President to discuss implementing a similar program at CU. A summary report of the Arizona Millennium Project can be found at: http://www.u.arizona.edu/~millen/phase1/

The latest draft of the revised constitution was submitted to the Regents for their comments. Their response is expected mid-January. It will be distributed to the Faculty Assemblies and, then sent to the Faculty Senate (entire faculty) for a vote. Two hundred votes are required for approval.

B. University Benefits Advisory Board

Dr. McDowell announced that he has asked Dr. Stuart Schneck to continue as the UBAB representative from UCD. The Faculty Assembly voted unanimously to approve that appointment.

VI. Reports from the Schools

A. School of Medicine – Dr. Rock Levinson

A Faculty Senate committee is reviewing the Faculty Senate rules to determine where changes are needed. Recommended changes may come up for vote soon.

There continues to be concern about how to recruit new faculty in large enough numbers to generate sufficient ICR funds.
The new PRA Guidelines are being reviewed for conflicts with current practices. The Chancellor’s office is also working on resolving some inherent issues in the new guidelines.

B. School of Nursing -- Dr. Joann Congdon

The Executive Committee recommended that the interim Dean be continued in that office for 3 years, until June 2004, in order to 1) stabilize the program 2) prepare for NLN accreditation 3) delay the cost of a national search. The Chancellor said that he would want to meet with faculty before responding to the recommendation.

Some of the SON faculty members at Fitzsimons have moved back to the campus.

Five national grants were awarded to SON faculty this past year. 125 acceptance letters from new BSN students have been received.

An internal search for a new division chair is in progress.

C. School of Pharmacy – Dr. Dan Gustafson

Dr. Gustafson introduced Dr. Kathleen Stringer. She and Dr. Doug Fish, along with Dr. Gustafson, comprise the Executive Committee of the SOP.

The Dean recently announced that the next class of new pharmacy students would include 120 students.

VII. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held January 29th in Shivers Conference Room in the BRB.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Submitted by,

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