Minutes


11:30 a.m. Jacqueline Jones, PhD, Chair of CU Anschutz Faculty Assembly
Meeting Brought to Order

- David Port motions to approve the minutes, Colleen Dingmann seconds.
  - February and March minutes approved.
- The article 5 work is ongoing; Dr. Jones has been working hard to represent the Anschutz campus in the article 5 system wide meetings. A major concern is the lacking of mention regarding non-tenure track faculty, and their representation. The language around how schools and colleges should be providing support and guidance for non-tenure track faculty are also lacking. They discussed the 1 – 6 rule, and pushed to keep it in article 5.
- There is a general feeling that the school of medicine memo really goes against the idea of shared governance.
- The positions open for elections are the chair, secretary, and vice chair of the faculty assembly.
  - Jacqueline Jones has been nominated for chair
  - Cindy O’Bryant has been nominated for vice chair
  - Jane Kass-Wolff has been nominated for Secretary.
  - There will be an email that will follow this meeting regarding the election and voting process.

12:00 p.m. Sheana Bull – Assistant Vice Chancellor for Digital Education
Scot Chadwick – Executive Director of Digital Education
Office of Digital Education

- The office of digital education was established 6 months ago and they are set up to serve both campuses. First and foremost they are focused on improving access to high quality online education, with the aim of having faculty very involved in all steps of this process. The past 6 months they have been on a listening tour, they have been collecting data and ideas regarding what online offerings should look like. They have identified three strategic priorities; investing in increasing student retention and
graduation rates, growing online enrollment and programing, advancing excellence in digital education and scholarship.

- They are hoping that faculty will view their office as a partner in achieving student success. They would like to meet and work with all of the school and colleges. They have the goal of making an advisory group with faculty to help oversee this process and work through any problems, hoping to bolster shared governance in this process. They are exploring a couple budget models for new programs that school or colleges would like to initiate.

12:30 p.m.  Tina Moser – Chair of the Diversity Working Group

- The inclusive excellence taskforce was created to affirm the university’s stance on diversity and inclusion. Right off the bat the definitions of inclusive excellence and diversity were hammered down, these were added to the drafted recommendations the working group have come up with to bolster the campuses diversity and inclusion. The recommendations will be presented at faculty council, and they would like feedback about the current drafted recommendations. The working group also believes that the taskforce should continue, as there is still a lot of work that needs to be done. They would like participation and interaction from the Anschutz campus regarding this draft and with their taskforce.

12:40 p.m.  John McDowell, DDS, MS, School of Dental Medicine

Trust Update

- The trustees meet quarterly to go over financial reports to make sure the best interests of those in the plan are being looked after. The health plan is about 7 years old, and there are around 41,531 participants from CU. The large claims have gone down quite a bit over the past few years. Any further questions about the trust, can be directed to John McDowell.

1:00 p.m.  Ken McConellogue – Vice President for Communications

Faculty Voices

- They are trying to promote shared governance through better system wide communication. They hope to turn CU Connection into a vehicle for shared governance and community.
  - They are asking for short editorial faculty pieces. They are wondering if this is something the faculty would like, and they have brainstormed the idea of offering a small stipend. These would be Op-ed style pieces from the faculty.
  - The hope is to have this started next fall semester.

1:02 p.m.  College / School Reports:

- College of Nursing: They had a dean candidate finalist on campus. They are busy preparing for accreditation. They are also busy reviewing applicants.
- School of Dental Medicine: New Department Chair, no other significant news.
- School of Public Health: No Significant news.
- Graduate School: Just finished recruiting for all basic science programs. They all have an April 1st hard deadline for accepting. Many of the programs fell short of their
enrollment goals. Many students did not like the neighborhoods surrounding campus and cost of living was a big concern.

- Systems News: New gift review policy was discussed. They are currently working on parental leave policies.
- School of Medicine: No significant news.
- Health Sciences Library: The reading room on the 3rd floor is going to have major renovation to the room. The pillars will be taken out, and the timeline will be set for June or August depending on facilities.
- Skaggs School of Pharmacy: Admissions discussions. National decline in applications to pharmacy school. PSP professional service plan is being looked at after an audit found there is a need for some changes. Administrative faculty are working on marking out a process for that.

1:30 p.m. Old Business / New Business
1:30 p.m. Meeting Adjourned