CU Denver Faculty Assembly Meeting  
December 2, 2014  
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
LSC – 14th Floor Chancellors Conf. Room

Minutes


12:04 PM  Joanne Addison, CU Denver Faculty Assembly Chair  
• Meeting brought to order

12:05 PM  Provost Nairn – Office of the Provost  
Office of the Provost Update

• Academic Program Prioritization Committee Presentation: The APPC has completed its review of programs on the CU Denver Campus. The report was presented to the Board of Regents. The next step will be an administration prioritization.

• CU Online Initiatives: At the recent BOR meeting, all 4 chancellors were unified on the importance of CU building its online educational presence. More discussion will follow.

• Current Searches:
  o CU Anschutz SOM Dean: The SOM has had 2 finalists attend the campus. The final candidate is slated to visit the campus in late November.
  o Grad School / Business School Dean: In the process of collecting nominations for the search committees. The ad and job description have been publicized. The first comprehensive review date will be January 5th.
  o Business School Dean: The search is currently underway. A search committee has been identified and will be chaired by Dean Paul Teske. January 15th will be the first application review.
  o CU Denver Chancellor: The search committee for a new Chancellor for the CU Denver Campus will have Chancellor DiStefano Chair the Committee. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact the Office of the Provost.

• inWorks: The courses that are currently available through inWorks have gone through the correct approval process. The inWorks Office will be hosting an open house in January in the CU Building, 1st Floor in their new office space. Please look for future announcements.
**Regent Michael Carrigan**
Regent Carrigan gave the assembly his background and his visions for the future on the CU Denver campus. He shared his concerns for both the CU Denver campus, the CU system, higher education funding, and how to advance in online learning. If anyone has any questions or concerns for Regent Carrigan, please feel free to contact him at Carrigan@cu.edu.

**Chancellor Jerry Wartgow**
Chancellor Wartgow thanked everyone for their continued supported during his interim role as Chancellor for the CU Denver campus. As he continues to support administration, current concerns include; student retention through new approaches, further engaging CU online initiatives and online education opportunities, and how to grow at the CU South Metro location. Please forward any questions or ideas regarding online education to Joanne Addison at Joanne.Addison@ucdenver.edu.

**Joann Addison – CU Denver Faculty Assembly, Chair**

**Chairs Report**

- **Approval of November 2014 Minutes:**
  Motion to Approve: Farah Ibrahim  
  2nd: Judy Coe  
  CU Denver Faculty Assembly – Unanimously approved with revisions.

- **Tuition Assistance Benefits:** A handout was presented of work done in the Faculty Council. Laura Borgelt discussed the handout that was proposed through the FC Personnel Committee and FC Budget Committee. The goal is to make this more of a Tuition Assistance Benefit opposed to the current waiver model. Discussion included concerns with cross campus availability and structure. Please share and review this and send any comments or concerns to Joanne Addison at Joanne.Addison@ucdenver.edu.

- **CU Denver Faculty Assembly Bylaws:** Joanne Addison and Karin Rees will be working on a draft of the FA Bylaws over the winter break. The February meeting will have 45 minutes blocked off for the Faculty Assembly to review and discuss.

**CU Denver Faculty Assembly – Committee / Campus Reports:**

- **Auraria Library:** No report at this time. Rodney Herring will be giving a presentation at the next FA meeting.

- **Academic Personnel Committee (APC, Judy Coe):** APC has been working on; a draft document on workplace building, discussing collaboration with the Center for Faculty Development (CFD) to host a targeted workshop on in the spring semester, and a possible strategy on academic bullying. Ongoing discussion includes; climate survey results and next steps, possible collaboration with the CFD and Office of Diversity to review age and gender discrimination and working with the FC Women’s Committee.

- **Budget Priorities Committee (BPC, David Tracer):** BPC had Lisa Douglas and Michael DelGuidice at the last meeting to discuss potential new buildings and campus safety issues.

- **Educational Policy and Planning Committee (EPPC, Rebecca Hunt):** EPPC continues to work on FCQ’s and a resolution on ELO’s that came out of the Undergraduate Learning Symposium.

- **Faculty Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board (FACAB, Leo Brueerle):** FACAB has
developed a Friend of Auraria Award. This award can be given to faculty at any of the 3 institutions on campus. The award will include a free parking pass for a year.

- **Learning, Educational Technology, Teaching & Scholarship Committee (LETTS, Jessica Sowa)** No report at this time.

- **Diversity Committees**
  - **Disabilities (DisC, Leo Bruederle)** No report at this time.
  - **Gay, Lesbian, Bi-sexual, Transgender, & Intersex (GLB TI, David Bondelevitch)** The Annual GLBTI Symposium was very successful. Concerns included the amount of no shows. Discussion included having a fee to assure participation. With the extra funds that were gathered during fundraising, GLBTI will be looking at hosting a spring event.
  - **Minority Affairs Committee (MAC, Joanne Addison for MAC)** A flyer was handed out for the upcoming 5th Annual Higher Education Diversity Summit.
  - **Women’s Issues (WIC, Sarah Hagelin)** Recently WIC met with Dr. Brenda J. Allen. WIC will also continue working with the system-wide Faculty Council Women’s Committee.

- **Student Government Association (SGA VP, Lola Johnson-Hagmoc)** Student Government has focused on a proposal for a campus wellness center.
  An external advisory committee called the College Council has now been absorbed to join the Student Government Association to become elected officials. This should occur at this year’s elections.
  Students would like to review the length of student orientation. Suggestions included having a 2 day orientation with more freshman engagement within each area.

- **University of CO Denver Association of Lecturers and Instructors (UCDALI, Lucy McGuffey)** UCDALI continues to meet with each of the Deans. The Fall Event, Networking for Retention, was held on November 19th, 2014. It was successful and generated new ideas for better networking with students and colleagues. They group will now begin working on a spring event on service. Announcements to follow. UCDALI will now be focusing on NTT files and multi-year contracts.

1:55 PM **New Business / Old Business**

- **Past Motion**: Whereas academic issues are the primary responsibility of the faculty, Whereas the UCD Faculty Assembly has not been permitted to review draft PP documents, despite repeated requests, and repeated assurances that drafts would be available, Whereas any interested UCD faculty member should be able to review their program's PP performance before public release, Therefore, be it resolved that the UCD Faculty Assembly hereby requests that the CU Administration delay public release of the PP reports until such time as the UCD Faculty Assembly and any interested UCD faculty member shall have an adequate opportunity to review such PP reports and provide input leading to possible revision and improvement of the PP reports, methodology, and/or ranking. (Bruce Neumann – Business School)

Bruce Neumann provided the amended motion prior to the meeting. Bruce Neumann withdrew his initial motion for the amended motion below. Bruce Neumann asked that Madhavan Parthasarathy (MP) speak on the motion.

  - As the APPC report has already been presented to the Board of Regents and Bruce Neumann has reviewed the documents per his request, the motion was withdrawn.
Administrator Appraisal Motion (Amended Motion): Whereas the new organizational structure involving separate Chancellors for AMC and UCD, on top of combined Vice-Chancellors and Provost, may lead to communication problems and potential conflicts of interest with decisions that may impinge on the overall welfare of the University of Colorado Denver, or on AMC. Whereas the new organizational structure may not be attractive to candidates in the upcoming search for a UCD Chancellor or may result in turnover or difficulty hiring a strongly qualified candidate, be it resolved that:

1. Denver FA recommends an in-depth study to analyze the best paths forward to identify the best structure possible within the current confines established by the creation of a dual-Chancellor structure so that any unintended consequences attendant to the new structure are minimized, and

2. Denver FA recommends that clarifications be developed so that faculty as well as any candidates for the UCD Chancellorship can fully understand the duties, reporting lines, and separation of responsibilities for the activities and duties currently managed by the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellors, and Provost. (Bruce Neumann – Business School)

Rebecca Hunt called the motion to question. This motion was voted down by the CU Denver Faculty Assembly; 5 were in favor, 8 opposed, and 6 members abstained.

2:03 PM Meeting adjourn