CU Denver Faculty Assembly Meeting  

September 4th, 2018  
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
LSC, Chancellors Conf. Room

Minutes

Attendees: Peter Anthamatten, Bruce Neumann, Tammy Stone, Tod Duncan, Kyle Hurst, Diana White, Dan Koetting, Linda Fried, Maren Scull, Elizabeth Steed, Geeta Verma, Jeffrey Schrader, Thomas Beck, Eric Baker, Diana Thomback, Charissa Brammer, Kelly McCusker, Sherry Taylor, Christoph Stefes, Rebecca Hunt, Matthew Kriese, David Bondelevitch, Sam Walker, Vivian Shyu, Steffen Borgwardt, Marta Maron, Matt Shea, Lucy Dwight, Lee Potter

12:00 PM Peter Anthamatten - CU Denver Faculty Assembly Chair
- Brief Introductions made by all members
- Motion to approve March minutes: Rebecca Hunt motion, Tammy Stone Seconded.
  o 17 approve, 6 abstentions: motion passed

12:15 PM Cinthya Ippoliti – Director of Auraria Library
- Please feel free to get in touch with Cinthya if you have any questions regarding the library.
- She is planning on setting up a communication structure that would allow for more faculty input, as well as doing a needs assessment to see where the library can improve. They are planning on doing a budget road show to show each institution where their funding is being spent, and she holds a major focus on making all three institutions feel welcome at the library.
- They are opening the innovation garage, which will be an incubator space in the library that people can use to come up with ideas and hold meetings.

12:30 PM David Lowry – Director of Operations and Infrastructure, Office of Information Technology
Strategic Planning
- The Office of Information Technology has been working on developing a strategic plan. They have been thinking about where they want to be and then working back from that.
  o One goal is to increase collaboration; they are hoping that all faculty, staff, and students feel like they have a voice in their planning. They want to know how they can better serve the campus.

12:58 PM Peter Anthamatten – Chair of the Faculty Assembly
Chairs Report
- The Regents’ office is going to go through a fair amount of personnel changes this coming election year. President Benson has announced that he will be retiring so a search process is being discussed and will begin soon. The Regents are soliciting faculty feedback regarding what campuses would like to see in a new President.
The assembly said they would like a President that would put an emphasis on fundraising for our campus, they want a President that can navigate both our states constitution and higher education, as well as an individual that holds a focus on excellence.

- The assembly reviews page 12 of the article 5 revisions.
  - There are concerns regarding tenure and promotion. The criteria change would add in the line that proven academic excellence would have to have an impact beyond the institution, which is to be defined by the department.
  - Motion to vote on incorporating in a the memo to faculty council that the Assembly wishes to strike the portion regarding teaching excellence impacting beyond the university. Sam Walker Motion, Brent Wilson Seconded
    - 23 approve, 4 abstain
  - Motion passes to have the Faculty Assembly include in the memo that they wish to maintain the language as is.

- Looking forward at this year’s Faculty Assembly action items, the assembly works on building agenda items.
  - They are planning on continued budget oversight, oversight of the FCQ process, strong faculty presence in IT governance, continued support on the student grade forgiveness policy, looking at the communication strategies, following up on who will replace Laura Goodwin’s prior position, and advancement.

1:40 PM  
CU Denver Faculty Assembly Committee & Campus Reports:

- Academic Personnel Comm (APC): This year they are looking at the Article 5 policy fallout, to see which policies will change. They are looking at EFERPA and tracking concerns regarding oversight.

- Budget Priorities Comm (BPC): Their main goals are working out their structure and their role within the new university budget committee. They are working on the campus’ budget literacy, they will be holding two classes on September 21st from 1-3. They will be for faculty and others on campus and will be covering very basic budget literacy.

- Committee on the Status of Women (CSW): The main goals of the committee this year are focusing on family medical leave, and family leave after birth or adoption. They are also looking at making a mailing list for childcare or eldercare, they also want to hold an event in honor of women’s suffrage.

- Disabilities Committee (DisC): They got a $12,000 grant to do the AHEAD review on campus.

- Ethnic Diversity Committee (EDC): More focus on supporting our undocumented students.

- Educational Policy & Planning Comm (EPPC): Keeping track of the FCQ process. They will also keep working on the grade forgiveness policy, and student enrollment management.

- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Plus (LGBTQ+): They are making a website for faculty and staff, they are hoping to have the content finalized mid semester, and push the website live by next semester. They are hoping to increase their visibility in Pridefest. They are going to continue their study on the stressors on the LGBTQ+ students, faculty, and staff on our campus.

- Learning, Educational Technology, Teaching, and Scholarship Committee (LETTS): They are watching how the campus is responding to the anticipated growth, specifically in regards to accessibility and student success. Web presence at the program level is not very great, and they want to keep this issue on the front burner.

- UCD Assoc. of Lecturers & Instructors (UCDALI): New Faculty orientation included things specifically for lecturers and they are working on increasing communication to them. They
are setting up a communication network that will help reach that goal. They are holding a fall event on October 17th in the Library.

- **Student Government:** They are trying to increase the student minimum wage to $13 an hour. They are trying to disperse more information to the student body about the things going on within the student government. There are art and sustainability initiatives that are being pushed on campus.

2:00 PM      Meeting Adjourned