Faculty Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, October 2, 2017  
1068 9th Street Park  
8:00 – 9:00 AM

Attending:
- Rafael Sanchez: CU Denver Representative
- Vacant: MSU Denver Representative
- David Kottenstette: MSU Denver Representative
- Brett Hahn: CCD Representative
- Chris Holcom: CCD Representative
- Barb Weiske: CEO, Auraria Higher Education Center

Absent:
- Timberley Roane: CU Denver Representative
- Ariel Redell: Staff, Auraria Higher Education Center

1. **Approval of Minutes:**
   There were no official minutes to approve.

2. **Introductions:**
   New and returning members were introduced. Brett Hahn is the new representative for CCD. There is one MSU Denver seat currently vacant.

3. **Election of Officer (Chair and ABOD representative)**
   The Chair/ABOD representative position is rotated among the institutions, and this year the rep is to be selected from CCD. Following a brief overview from the committee members, Chris and Brett decided to take some time to consider which should step forward for the role. They will advise Barb of their decision and she will coordinate orientation, etc. from there.

4. **Goals for the Year**
   David suggested that once the Chair is selected, everyone could submit their goals to the new Chair and they could be discussed. Rafael offered that they could continue with their focus on last year’s
David recalled that it was concluded that there was a limited budget and FACAB would need to come up with funds. The Library also needed concepts well in advance (up to a full year, depending upon the semester). Rafael suggested that funding was not really a problem and that SACAB was on board with funds to share. Barb clarified that SACAB has a limited budget with restrictions on use, since it was a student fee.

Rafael reminded the group that they needed a specific proposal in order to move forward. There was a Library Committee that was focused on these types of things that should be understood. The benefit of a proposal of this initiative would be to improve the visibility of the Auraria Campus and to help students identify with all of the institutions about cross-registration and other opportunities. Rafael believes that the problem is that there was no life on campus, no outside activities and no student housing that could keep students engaged.

Discussion followed. Barb noted that all three institutions have student life and student affairs offices that deal with these challenges daily. If FACAB were interested, they could be invited to explain what they have planned and how they address that type of commuter student. David suggested that once Brett and Chris decide who is Chair, they could decide how to address that.

Since it has been difficult to get a proposal developed related to the Library initiative, Barb suggested that FACAB ask if they could have a representative on the Library committee that is working on these things. As Rafael noted, it didn’t make sense to duplicate efforts. Perhaps the rep could be Rafael and he could work with the committee and then bring a proposal back to FACAB to consider?

David suggested that it might be time for a new economic impact study. Barb explained that the Auraria Foundation paid for the last study with the DDP. David suggested that the institutions’ Foundations split the cost and Barb could get ¼ from DDP. The timeliness of the info could be helpful.

Brett noted that the focus of CCD is to produce degrees. Discussion followed about how to cultivate the appropriate skillsets needed to be transferrable to a University setting. There was concurrence that there were many avenues to consider and all warrant further consideration.