



University of Colorado
Anschutz Medical Campus

CU Anschutz Medical Campus Faculty Assembly Meeting

November 30th, 2021
11:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Zoom

Attendees: Melissa De Santis, Lee Potter, Inge Wefes, Cindy O'Bryant, Roderick Nairn, Jed Lampe, Terri Carrothers, Kyle Pelkey, Karen Sousa, Dana Abbey, Randy Repola, Toby Trujillo, Ethelyn Thomason, Kristine Gauthier, Michael Gallagher, Tamara Terzian, Wladimir Labeikovskiy, Sophia Khan, Elizabeth Ramos, Jan Gascoigne, Neil Krauss, Yee Ming Lee

11:30 a.m. Roderick Nairn, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs

- The campus is keeping an eye on the Omicron Variant.
- They monitoring the 13 grad programs that are moving over to the school of medicine.
- Office of Equity is working through a lot of transition.
- APS 5060 is on hold for a little bit, while we work through equal pay for equal work issues. Faculty Council has started working through Regent Policy 11b, which has to do with faculty salaries and evaluations.
- There was a request that a resource be created for that would help outline where to go with various concerns for those helping with the graduate students transferring over to the school of medicine.

11:40 a.m. Ethelyn Thomason, CU Anschutz Faculty Assembly Vice Chair

- We will be working with the provost on the professionalism document. A taskforce with cross campus representation will be formed.
- The faculty senate passed a resolution on academic freedom.
<https://www.cu.edu/doc/fc-resolution-academic-freedomfinal5pdf>
- The presidential search committee will have its first meeting in December.

11:45 a.m. School and College Reports

- Nursing: No major updates.
- Public Health: No major updates.
- Graduate School: The Office of Research Education in SOM has set up a transition team with the GS to learn from the GS about some processes that they would like to duplicate. Tomorrow is the graduate school application deadline.
- Strauss Sciences Library: They renewed the subscription to visual DX.
- Dental Medicine: Next Friday they are having their advanced placement students graduating. They will be announcing to their upcoming class tomorrow.

- Pharmacy: No major updates, Cindy has moved into the Associate Dean for Academic and Faculty Affairs position.
- School of Medicine: Two chairs searches are still ongoing; they have identified potential finalists for physiology and pharmacology. There is a new school of medicine curriculum that has been launched, and we are awaiting feedback.

12:15 p.m. Randy Repola, Chief of University Police

- If they see a forecast for inclement weather, they start watching the weather the day prior. The night before they do a conference call with Emergency Management, Communications, Facilities, and representatives from both hospitals. The Police department has an officer go out and drive 225 and I-70 every two hours. If the road conditions are bad, they do a 4:00 am call with the prior group to determine if the conditions are getting progressively worse or better.
 - The decision made for the University does not change hospital operations.
- Safe Zone App
 - There was a question regarding the safe zone app, and the best way to send a message using the app. There is a training video for safe zone here: <https://vimeo.com/cuproductions/review/516323060/6092ff7c26>
- The Chief and Jan Gascoigne have started to reach out to the Public schools to see what orientation our students who have placements in those areas get when entering the locations.

12:30 p.m. Steve VanNurden, CEO of Fitzsimons Redevelopment Authority

- Steve VanNurden came to give the assembly an update on what the Redevelopment Authority is working on.
- There are two aspects of the vision for the campus.
 - Live, work, play: this aspect is driving the development of apartments, hotels, and other amenities going up.
 - Biotech corridor: This driving the biosciences building development.
- The impact of 1sq mile of development on our campus is bigger than a ski area, it is the second biggest impact behind DIA.
- In the Biotech corridor they are seeing a lot of growth of the businesses they are hosting. Currently about 40% of the businesses in the biosciences buildings are related to the university. That just shows the amount of interest companies have for moving into that space.
- The Benson Hotel and Faculty Club recently was built, named after Bruce Benson the former president of CU. That was build primarily as a faculty club. The hope is that this space will be used for meetings and recruitment.
- There is a hope that more food options would be created in the area. The other hope is that there be more activity in the area, so that people would want to stay around campus.
- There was a concern about the cost of the new apartments being built. One thought would be implementing tiered costs to make it more affordable.
- A final concern raised about how bad traffic on Montview Blvd.