



Faculty Assembly

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER

CU Denver Faculty Assembly Meeting

February 2nd, 2020

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Zoom

Minutes

Attendees: Lee Potter, Michael Zinser, Andrew Friedson, Roderick Nairn, Lawrence Cunningham, Thorsten Spehn, Angela Gover, David Bondelevitch, Brad Hinson, Maryam Darbeheshti, Bruce Neumann, Candan Duran-Aydintug, Colleen Donnelly, Cristina Gillanders, Dale Stahl, Dennis DeBay, Diana Tomback, Diana White, Elizabeth Steed, Eric Baker, Esther Sullivan, Fernando Mancilla-David, Geeta Verma, Geoff Johnson, Gregory Ragland, Inge Wefes, Jarrod Hanson, Jeffrey Schrader, Joann Brennan, Kelly See, Kevin Seeber, Linda Fried, Lonnie Schaible, Peter Anthamatten, Sondra Bland, Terry Potter, Thomas Beck, Timberley Roane, Tod Duncan, Vivian Shyu, Xiaojun Ren, Kathy Kelsey, Eric Jewett

(12:00 PM)

Michael Zinser - CU Denver Faculty Assembly Chair

- Meeting brought to order.
- Peter Anthamatten Motion to approve Minutes, Bruce Neumann Seconds.
 - 24 yes, 0 no.

(12:05)

Roderick Nairn, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor, University of Colorado Denver

- The HLC visit is going to be almost completely virtual. They are just wrapping up the last few things in preparation. They are reaching out to folks to review the final documents.
- There is a credit hour and contact hour document that we will be going over today.
 - These guidelines need to be in the assurance document for the HLC visit. We use the CCHE document currently but are creating our own document. This is because the CCHE document does not cover all the activities that we engage in.
 - This is the third version of the document. This version lists 15 instructional activities – all of which we use.
 - There was one question whether or not the activities could be split up in our document between the CCHE activities, and the ones that we have added.
 - There was a request made for volunteers for the working group that will focus on this document. If you are interested, please contact Michael.

(12:30 PM)

Michelle Marks, Chancellor, University of Colorado Denver

- We are starting this semester with good news and momentum.
- Enrollment for graduate education is up 13%. Decline in undergraduate enrollment was very minimal.
- We are expecting to provide positive budget news soon.
- We have readied the 5th street garage to prepare for Covid-19 Vaccine distribution.
 - We will be following the State distribution guidelines.
- We are going to be recognized as a Hispanic serving institution. This will allow us to access grants and support from the federal government.
- We launched our strategic planning process. Phase 1 wrapped up last week, which focused at establishing high level mission, vision, and value goals for the university.
 - For phase two, they have established many working groups, to focus in on specific areas identified during phase 1.
- Our equity taskforce is in full swing. There are 17 people on the taskforce. Within their supporting teams there are 150 people who are working on this.
 - The chancellor will be receiving their recommendations on April 12th.
- ODE is at the system level as a service unit.
 - There is movement to create a leader in online for our campus.
 - Determining our online future is going to be a part of the strategic planning process as well.
- Our new building is underway. The first floor is going to be for student services, but level three is going to be a faculty hub. This is still being designed and planned.
- The search for a CU Denver provost is well underway.
- For the VCDI is in the final stages.
- The Senior Vice Chancellor for Strategic Enrollment and Student Success is kicking off.
- She wants to search for a leader in Business Partnerships.
- Jennifer Sobanet will be shifted to Administration and Strategic role.
 - A Search for a new CFO will be started.

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Ilana Dubin-Spiegel, Regent, University of Colorado

- Regent Spiegel attended the Faculty Assembly and introduced herself and her background. There was a conversation about increasing belonging among our students.
- A question was raised about fundraising, and equity funding for all campuses.
- If you have further questions you'd like to ask Regent Spiegel who contact information is: Dubin-spiegel@cu.edu

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Michael Zinser - CU Denver Faculty Assembly Chair

- A working group is being established to look at remote work. If you are interested in serving on this committee let Lee Potter or Michael Zinser know.
- Michael Lightner has established a working group on intellectual property. Lucy Dwight will be representing us on that group.

(1:40 PM)

Diana White, Chair, Budget Priorities Committee

- She believes an in depth presentation should be given at the next faculty assembly meeting. However she summarized what has happened.
- ODE has moved to a system level service providing unit.
 - The services are provided through a mutual arrangement.
- A master service agreement between the four campuses and ODE is being worked out. There are program term sheets that can override the master service agreement, which outline program attributes and will be specific to each campus.

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Meeting Adjourned