



## CU Denver Faculty Assembly Meeting

September 2, 2025 | 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM

Zoom: <https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/94052681777?jst=1>

**12:30PM**

### **Chair's Update (Wendy Bolyard)**

- Welcome
  - [FA Bylaws](#), Article II, B. Membership and organization of CU Denver Faculty Assembly shall be proportionally distributed among the colleges, schools, and library.
    - 2. The chairs of standing committees and their sub-committees shall be members of Faculty Assembly as shall the officers of Faculty Assembly.
- Introductions – Cheryl Ansaldi, FA/UCDALI Administrative Coordinator\*
- Minutes from May 2025
- Bylaws amendment: immediate past-officer roles
- Faculty Council representatives needed:
  - 1x Budget Committee
  - 2x Communications Committee
  - 1x Faculty Council member-at-large
- Next FA meeting, October 7, hybrid, lunch provided

**1:00PM**

### **Chancellor Ken Christensen & Provost Karen Marrongelle**

- Strategic Plan refresh, forum September 16, 11:00AM-1:00PM
- Student Success
- Graduate Education
- Program Viability & Curricular Innovation

**1:45PM**

### **Discussion AY 2025-2026 Priorities**

- FCQ Working Group (Dennis DeBay)
- IRC roadmap (Turan Kayaoglu)
- Structural deficit
- ATWG #5
- **From Spring 2025:**
  - **Equity and Work Hours:** Suggestion to define the standard workday as 9–5 to ensure equitable participation in meetings and forums (especially concerning 8 AM scheduling).
  - **Collective Action Strategy:** Proposal to move beyond symbolic resolutions and develop a strategic plan to respond to perceived attacks on science and academic freedom.
  - **Search Process Reform:** Suggestions for increased transparency, consistent candidate information availability, and use of internal platforms (e.g., intranet) to support broader faculty access.

- **Confidentiality Policy Revisions:** Encourage the administration to revise formal policies if current expectations no longer align with institutional practice.

**2:15PM          New Business**

**2:30PM          Adjournment**

**\*Cheryl Ansaldi** joined the Office of Faculty Affairs on August 15, 2025, as the half-time Administrative Coordinator for Faculty Assembly and UCDALI—a position previously held by Leigh Ann Rutherford who accepted a position at CU System Office in early summer.

Cheryl comes to CU Denver after a long career with the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), a federal agency that manages government buildings, supplies, and services nationwide. At GSA she led national employee development programs, supported regional leadership, coordinated large-scale events, and strengthened organizational communication and engagement. She also brings a background in education, customer service, and technology, with skills that range from project management and communications to budget tracking and event planning.

Beyond her professional work, Cheryl has been deeply involved in community service. She has volunteered as a STEM and Hour of Code leader at Highland Elementary, encouraging young learners in science and technology, and as a kitchen assistant with Cooking Matters, supporting food education and community wellness.

Cheryl's role will be mostly remote, but when she is on campus, she will spend time in the Learning Commons (where the Faculty Assembly and UCDALI offices are located) or on the 14th floor of Lawrence Street Center with the Office of Faculty Affairs staff.

Cheryl is excited to support CU Denver's mission of empowering learners and fostering innovation, and will be a tremendous asset to both Faculty Assembly and UCDALI. Please give her a very warm welcome to our community.