



Faculty Assembly  
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER

## CU Denver Faculty Assembly Meeting

March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019  
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
LSC, Chancellors Conf. Room

### Minutes

**Attendees:** Peter Anthamatten, Christy Briles, Jeffrey Schrader, Lucy Dwight, Eric Baker, Geeta Verma, Kelly McCusker, Jeremy Nemeth, Steffen Borgwardt, Colleen Donnelly, Fernando Mancilla, Bruce Neumann, Diana White, Brad Hinson, David Bondelevitch, Diana Tomback, Vivian Shyu, Cristina Gillanders, Tod Duncan, Linda Fried, Sondra Bland, Marta Maron, Maryam Darbeheshti, Andrew Friedson, Rebecca Hunt, Tammy Stone, Mary Dodge, Dale Stahl, Sharon Coggan, Michael Zinser, Lee Potter

**12:00 PM** **Michael Zinser - CU Denver Faculty Assembly Chair**

- Meeting brought to order.

**12:10 PM** **Roderick Nairn, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor**

- Covid-19 seems like it will inevitably affect our campus. They are starting to get directions out, and have already shutdown study abroad and other international programs. Directions have gone out to the deans to prepare to online content if campus closes.
  - They have started to look at their COOPs (Contingency of Operation Plans) to ensure they are updated.
- The search committee for the Business school dean have identified some finalists. There will be communication soon about bringing them to campus. Thursday and Friday there will be off campus interviews for the VC for Diversity and Inclusion. Tom Flake has been named the VC for Research. The VC for Faculty Affairs is going to go into a bit of a holding pattern. Joann Brennan has the area well covered, and the Provost would like the incoming chancellor to have some say in the future of that position.
- There was a proposal that was sent to the Regents for a 1% pay increase. UCCS is proposing the same level, but the other campuses are proposing a 3% increase. The campus is working on reducing the cost curve by using retirement incentives in certain areas.
- The new Dorm building is underway and on track.
- All downstream APSs are being changed from Article 5. Language was sent out to the Deans that focused on criteria of excellence in teaching.

**12:20 PM** **Michael Zinser - CU Denver Faculty Assembly Chair**

- There are really big changes coming from EY Parthanon.
- Motion to approve minutes: Tammy Stone, Rebecca Hunt Seconded. Minutes Unanimously approved.

12:25 PM

**EY - Parthanon**

- EY – Parthanon, hosted an interactive and question driven session with the Faculty Assembly. Many questions were raised by the assembly. A transcription of the talk can be found in Appendix A.

1:20 PM

**Laura Argys, Associate Dean of Research and Creative Activities**

- CU System is undergoing strategic planning. It was started at the system level, and various campuses have been charged with different areas of focus, with some topics crossing all four campuses.
- The process has been broken in many different working groups, some that area at the campus level and some at the system level. Each working group is listed on the CU Strategic planning webpage, and there are feedback boxes for each group. Please review the pages and provide feedback.

1:40 PM

**CU Denver Faculty Assembly Committee & Campus Reports:**

- **Academic Personnel Comm (APC):** Recommends all faculty go to the CU Policy Review page and review APS 1022 and 5060. Campus APS 1020 should be reviewed after the system level APS was rescinded.
- **Colorado Faculty Advisory Council (CFAC):** No Significant News
- **Budget Priorities Comm (BPC):** A proposed 1% increase pool was put forward to the Regents from our campus, that will be finalized at the next Regent meeting. A revisit of the subvention across all schools and colleges. Those amounts could shift as the initial three year agreement is about to end.
- **Committee on the Status of Women (CSW):** This Friday is the women’s Symposium, it is currently full. They met with Nelia Viveiros as a follow up on how the university is handling title 9 and title 7. They are continuing to look at ways for how they can support faculty with childcare. They are continuing to explore ways to celebrate women’s suffrage.
- **Disabilities Committee (DisC):** A survey on disability has gone out. Please fill it out, and encourage others to as well. It will close this weekend. They have 200 faculty that have responded, please spread the word about the survey.
- **Ethnic Diversity Committee (EDC):**
- **Educational Policy & Planning Comm (EPPC):** The APS on Major Declaration Policy is being reviewed. The policy states that after 45 credit hours, students must declare a major. There are concerns with how transfer students will be handled. The APS on multiple means of teaching evaluation is being reviewed. The comment window is open until March 5<sup>th</sup> and it is highly encouraged that individuals review and comment on this policy. The committees biggest concern was the lack of a statement in regards to biases of FCQs.
- **Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Plus (LGBTQ+):** They met with Sheana Bull to find a way to make the online environments more inclusive. Concerns were raised about how we train online faculty in regards to Diversity and Inclusion.
- **Learning, Educational Technology, Teaching, and Scholarship Committee (LETTS):**
- **UCD Assoc. of Lecturers & Instructors (UCDALI):** They are currently working on finalizing their 16 recommendations that came from their report on lecturers on our campus. There is an event coming up that will celebrate the Chancellor’s tenure on campus, and provide resources to all Instruction, Research, and Clinical Faculty (IRC, formally NTTF).
- **Faculty Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board (FACAB):** RTD is increasing the cost of ECO passes. Auraria parking is going up 25 cents. The campus compost plan has been approved and will be implemented.
- **Student Government:** No Significant News

- **Elections:** In the May meeting, nominations for secretary and Vice Chair position will need to be finalized.

**2:00 PM**

**Meeting Adjourned**