



# **Faculty Council**

March 12, 2015, 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. 1st Floor Conference Room, 1800 Grant St, Denver http://www.cu.edu/FacultyCouncil

**Attending:** Michele Companion, Mark Knowles, David Port, Melinda Piket-May, Catherine Kunce, Gloria Main, Gail Katz, Carmen Stravrositu, Mike Harper, Teresa Connolly, Jay Dedrick, Kathleen Bollard, Pat O'Rourke, Mike Lightener, Deborah Keyek-Fransen, Ravinder Singh, Vicki Grove, Peggy Jobe, Laura Borgelt, Regent Ludwig, Isabella Muturi Sauve

# Approval of minutes

Minutes of the January 22, 2015 meeting were approved as presented.

## **Discussion with Regent Ludwig**

The discussion with Regent Ludwig centered on digital education, including new degree offerings presented during the February Board of Regents meeting.

### Legislative Update, Abby Benson

The legislative update included the following:

- Higher education budget forecast.
- Budget requests for capital development at the Boulder and Colorado Springs campuses.
- Administrative policy update, including sexual harassment policies on college campuses nationally.

### Digital Education, Deborah Keyek-Fransen

Deborah's presentation on digital education included an update on MOOCs, state authorization, learning spaces, governance structure and new degree offerings. She also discussed progress that has been made to incorporate input gathered from the fall 2014 Faculty Council meeting to improve learning spaces.

### Enterprise Constituent Relationship Management (CRM) Initiative, Ken McConnellogue

Ken McConnellogue discussed the new enterprise CRM initiative, including President Benson's priority of moving 'the entire CRM database to ensure effective data management, academic success and communication to all university constituents'. He discussed the challenges of both the current and new systems, capabilities of the new system as well as its governance structure.

# Academic Affairs Update, Kathleen Bollard

VP Kathleen's report included an update on the Lumina Grant to fund research on student success and prior learning assessments.



## Office of Policy Efficiency Update, Dan Montez

Dan reported that his office was working with the campuses to identify all the administrative policy statements that need to be changed to reflect 'service and leadership'. Dan also discussed the policies up for review on April 9 and July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, including the APS on records retention.

### **Motions for Approval**

The following motions were approved as presented:

- Procedures for Implementing Regent Actions on Distinguished Professorships (APS 1017).
- Retroactive appointment for Gita Alaghband and Omar Swartz (Denver) to the Privilege and Tenure Committee.

### Chair's report, Laura Borgelt

Laura encouraged members to forward their nominations for the officers of the Faculty Council to the Secretary, Peggy Jobe. She added that the Faculty Council committees were also conducting their elections and that new committee will have been elected by the April 23<sup>rd</sup> Faculty Council meeting.

Regarding the Faculty Council awards, Laura reported that Governor John Hickenlooper and Lt. Governor Joe Garcia are possible nominees for the Leadership in Higher Education award, Jill Pollock and Geoff Barsch had been nominated for the Administrator of the Year award, and Peggy Jobe and Ravinder Singh for the Distinguished Service award. Additional nominations may be sent to Melinda Piket-May, the past chair. She went on to ask Council members to add their names to the sign-up sheet if they would like a letter of commendation for service on Faculty Council sent to their supervisor.

### **CU Retired Faculty Association, Gloria Main**

Update postponed until the next meeting.

# **Faculty Assembly Updates**

Boulder, Peggy Jobe

No update at this time.

#### **Anschutz,** David Port

David reported that the new Dean of the School of Medicine will start in April 2015. He added that three candidates are currently interviewing to be Dean of the Graduate School.

### Colorado Springs, Michele Companion

Michele reported that the committee on Teaching with Technology had been approved and the committee was reviewing strategies to incorporate faculty into the discussion on online teaching. She added that discussions on how to improve mentoring on campuses were ongoing.



#### Denver

No update at this time.

# **Committee Updates**

# Women's Committee, Melinda Piket-May

Melinda Piket-May reported that the Women's symposium had been successful and well attended.

# Personnel Committee, Gail Katz

Gail reported that the committee was still working on its recommendations for reporting mechanisms for discrimination and sexual harassment. The report will be presented to the Faculty Council during the April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. The committee is also reviewing additional administrative policy statements.

# **EMAC Committee, Mark Knowles**

Mark discussed the committee's white paper on *Recognizing and Rewarding Faculty for Participating in Diversity Activities* and noted that the committee's goal was to bring it before the Faculty Council during the April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting as well.

# EPUS, Ravinder Singh

Ravinder reported that the committee was reviewing Regent Policy 4J, Policy and Procedures for Approving New Degree Programs.

### **Adjournment**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm. The next meeting will be a **Faculty Senate** meeting on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Conference Room, 1800 Grant St, Denver.