

Executive Committee
Boulder Faculty Assembly
Minutes
February 9, 1998

Attendance:

Chair John Daily presiding, Cathy Comstock, Barbara Bintliff, Greg Carey, Tom Geers, Dick Ham, Bob Hohlfelder, Robert Schulzinger, Martha Jo Sani, Rebekka Struik, Phil Tompkins, Chancellor for Academic Affairs Phil DiStefano

A meeting of the Boulder Faculty Assembly Executive Committee was held on Monday, February 9, 1998, in Porter Biosciences Room B121. Chair John Daily presided. The meeting convened at 3:35 p.m. and adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

A. Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Schulzinger and seconded by Hohlfelder that the minutes of the 02/02/98 BFA Executive Committee meetings are approved.

The motion carried.

B. Announcements

1. Faculty Council meeting, Thursday, February 12, 1998 at Fitzsimons. Phil Tompkins will represent BFA at the meeting.

Faculty Council Issues:

Faculty salary increases (John Rhunka memo)

Discussion followed.

EPUS (Regent Robb proposal regarding program discontinuance)

Discussion followed.

Tompkins urged faculty members to contact Mike Martin at Error! Bookmark not defined. with comments.

Tompkins will report to the BFA Executive Committee on February 16.

2. Committee Assignments:

MOVED by Bob Schulzinger and seconded by Bob Hohlfelder that Steve Epstein is approved as the BFA representative on the Commencement Planning Committee.

The motion carried unanimously.

Cathy Comstock will contact Rita Weiss at 442-5414.

3. Academic Affairs Budget Advisory Committee:

Chair of the BFA Budget Committee Hohlfelder reported that meetings have begun and that he will give a more extensive report later in February.

Dates for the meetings are scheduled as follows:

February 5	Engineering
February 10	Academic Affairs: Diversity, Faculty Affairs, Undergraduate, ATLAS
February 12	School of Education
February 13	ITS
February 17	Law
February 17	University Libraries
February 20	AVC Summer Session Division of Continuing Education
February 24	Journalism
February 25	Graduate School, AVC, Research Museum
February 26	Arts and Sciences
February 26	Business
February 27	Music

C. Proposed BFA Reform

Tompkins suggested contacting Cliff Calhoun and ask if he would be willing to help with the bylaws revision document. Daily will send a copy of the proposed structure and the current bylaws noting that the implementation will begin when and if the proposed structure is approved at the March BFA meeting. Daily suggests implementing as soon as approved.

Implementation:

Daily suggested more detailed descriptions for the BFA standing committees. Daily will contact standing committee chairs and ask for descriptions of the current standing committees.

Daily suggests an interim campus-wide election in the fall to fill new BFA positions.

Daily stated that the debate will take place next month and be voted on after debate with the BFA.

D. Uniform Grading Policy

Tompkins discussed the grade reporting issue and stated that the process is through the colleges, DiStefano agreed. After discussion, it was agreed that material regarding grade reporting would be gathered and distributed to the BFA Executive Committee for review during their February 16 meeting. DiStefano stated he would check with the VPAA regarding procedures.

E. New Motions Discussion

1. Search Committee Chairs

Regarding the Levitt motion on faculty chairing search committees, Schulzinger expressed his view that search committees could be chaired by either faculty or deans and that he would not bar a class of people from that position. Bintliff stated that excluding deans and only allowing faculty to chair the search committees is as bad as excluding faculty. Daily commented that part of the reason the deans are chairing the search committees is because they have better resources (secretarial and financial) to manage the search.

2. Interim Administrators

Bintliff stated that, as a former interim person before becoming Director of the Law Library, often the best person is internal and to consider fostering such a system. Daily asked Bintliff to make a strong statement to that effect. Daily further commented that large companies and the companies with the most long term, sustained success hire from within.

F. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Boulder Faculty Assembly Executive Committee will be on Monday, February 16, 1998 in Porter Biosciences Room B121 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.