Boulder Faculty Assembly
Executive Committee Meeting
March 30, 2015

Attending:
Paul Chinowsky, Chair  Tad Pfeffer, INSTAAR
Bob Ferry, Vice Chair  Jeff Weiss, Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences
Bill Kaempfer, Associate Vice Chancellor  Philip Chang, Music
Greg Carey, Psychology  Adam Norris, Applied Mathematics
Jerry Peterson, Physics  Peggy Jobe, Libraries
Joe Jupille, Political Science  Rolf Norgaard, Writing & Rhetoric
Monika Fleshner, Integrative Physiology  Laura Michaelson, UGGS Executive VP
David Kassoy, Retired Faculty  John Lurquin, UGGS President
Paul Voakes, Journalism  Steve Vanderheiden, Political Science
Melinda Piket-May, Electrical Engineering  Marty Walter, Mathematics
Carrie Olson, BFA Assistant  Haley Goddard, BFA Student Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm by Paul Chinowsky.

Announcements- Paul Chinowsky

- Rick George will be our guest in two weeks
- Provost Russell Moore will be our guest a few weeks after that
  - Will discuss CU South and online degrees
- Officer elections will be on Thursday
  - Current nominations
    - Secretary: Adam Norris
    - No Vice Chair
    - Chair: Malinda Picket-May and Monika Fleshner
  - Whoever doesn't win could be nominated for Vice Chair
  - Not clear in bylaws if nominee needs to be an elected BFA member to be Chair
    - Will not restrict now but need clarification for future elections
  - Elections to committees for member seats will take place electronically after officer elections
  - Discussion to open up remaining, non-dedicated seats to BFA members to accommodate BFA committee membership requirement
- New motion from Bylaws Committee
  - Revision to Standing Rules (Article V, Section 1c)
  - Discussion:
    - Difficult to legislate staggered terms
    - Propose to eliminate designated seats (BFA vs non-BFA) but still require all BFA representatives to serve on committee
• Propose to remove “Not to exceed tenure on assembly” so a representative can continue his or her term on a committee as Faculty Council representative
• Need to prioritize organization so all BFA members are serving on a committee then see how everything else falls into place
  o Withdrew motion for further review
• Salary equity
  o Discussion about changes in the responsibilities of the Salary Equity Appeals Committee and the guidelines for submitting a salary equity appeal
  o Motion made by Jerry Peterson to approve the changes with a request for clarification of who faculty are with the understanding being its members are from the faculty senate. Seconded by Joe Jupille. Approved with one abstention.

Committee Updates
• Administrative Services and Technology: Paul Voakes
  o Working on “Boundaries Document”
    ▪ Relationship between OIT and BFA on behalf of faculty
    ▪ Processes for adoption of new methods to learn ongoing provision of stable and useful technology
  o D2L purge regularly exceeds budgeted capacity by 15 GB
    ▪ Examining possibility of archiving stagnant courses after four years before deleting permanently
    ▪ OIT proposing to begin in August 2015

• Intercollegiate Athletics: Joe Jupille
  o Watching the academic success of student athletes
    ▪ Highest recorded GPA last fall semester - same as student body at large
    ▪ Ski team had highest team GPA and won nationals
    ▪ Cross country had similar success
  o Feedback requests still have low response rate despite reduced number of requests for completion
    ▪ Discussion:
      • Look into only asking for feedback for intensive service students
  o Investigating class conflict policy
    ▪ Working with Academic Affairs about key policy for all extracurricular activities (music, club, etc.)

• Academic Affairs: Tad Pfeffer
  o Discussing issue of non-communication regarding actions taken by administration
  o Watching program review committee procedures
  o Investigating student retention
  o Instructor support update needed
• Student Affairs: Steve Vanderheiden
  o Looking at Student Affairs climate data to suggest faculty responses
    ▪ Working to link data to overall measures of satisfaction (returning, attending graduate school here, etc.)
  o Looking at class attendance policies (points awarded) for accommodation of missed attendance points due to disability accommodation (student anxiety issues)
  o Discussion:
    ▪ Request to be educated about boundaries of accommodations (ambiguity, process, etc.)
    ▪ Desire for uniformity in accommodations

• Administrative Appraisal: Greg Carey
  o Chancellor and Provost Survey now closed
    ▪ 50% response rate, still too low for validity
      • 60% needed, according to university policy

• Faculty Affairs: Marty Walter
  o Would like permission for opening a conversation with Phil DiStefano about preventing national publicity of faculty issues
    ▪ Received permission: committees are open to talk to whomever they need/desire, professionally

New Business
• Meeting next Monday to finish committee updates, discuss the Be Boulder presentation, and PAC-12 conference

The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 pm by Paul Chinowsky.

Submitted by Haley Goddard, BFA Student Assistant.