Boulder Faculty Assembly  
Executive Committee Meeting  
September 29, 2014

Attending:
Paul Chinowsky, Chair  
Bob Ferry, Vice Chair  
Philip Chang, Music  
Greg Carey, Psychology  
Monika Fleshner, Integrative Physiology  
Peggy Jobe, Libraries  
Joe Jupille, Political Science  
William Kaempfer, Associate Vice Chancellor  
Andrew Trevino, CUSG Director of Academics  
Haley Goddard, BFA Student Assistant

John Lurquin, UGGS President  
Horst Mewes, Political Science  
Laura Michaelson, UGGS Executive VP  
Adam Norris, Applied Mathematics  
Jerry Peterson, Physics  
David Kassoy, Retired Faculty  
Jeff Weiss, Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences  
Rolf Norgaard, Writing & Rhetoric  
Carrie Olson, BFA Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Paul Chinowsky.

Updates – Paul Chinowsky

- Faculty Council Meeting
  - Split Denver campus
    - Chancellor to Anschutz
    - Looking for new Chancellor for Denver
  - Tuition Assistance Benefit Proposal
    - 75% benefit for dependents, phased in over five years
    - Or 50% benefit
    - Matches our peers
    - Some of the campuses want to be able to use the benefit on any campus
    - Proposal will be submitted on December 1, 2014
  - Regents’ Climate Survey not finished

- Climate Meeting
  - October as “educational grounding” period
    - Title IX and Harassment, Valerie Simons
    - Issues from student perspective
    - What is being done with the survey
  - November meeting will be handled by the students
  - December meeting will be handled by the BFA

- BFA Initiatives
  - Faculty Recognition starts next week
    - Three faculty per week will be honored
Leadership Institute
- Lynda.com will soon be available for the campus
  - Campus has purchased license
  - Roll-out soon
- This year’s class will focus on the balance between teaching and research

Faculty Profiles
- Coordinated effort between BFA and Communications
- Includes video, written story, and poster
- One completed every two weeks
  - First 7 of 12 completed for this semester
  - 25 total when finished and will be displayed in a formal gallery
- Featured on BeBoulder.
  - Snippets will be used for advertising

Committee Updates

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee – Joe Jupille
- Focusing on academic well-being of student athletes
- Five faculty members currently, looking to expand to eight
- Meeting again at end of October to talk about class conflict policy refinement
  - In anticipation of issues such as bowl games during finals
- Kris Livingston sending out faculty feedback requests to gain feedback on athlete's academic performance
  - Response fatigue: Are we asking for too much feedback (3x a semester)?
- Anticipating how future changes might affect CU
  - Restructuring of NCAA
  - Compensation issues
- Concussions
  - Suggestion to work on protocol during games
    - Encourage athletes to communicate with faculty about head injuries
    - Kris Livingston prioritizes the well-being of student athletes

Humanities Discussion – Bob Ferry
- Enrollment Situation
  - Serious population decline in the last few years
    - Drop in enrollment in AHUM classes (86%) and number of majors (68%) since 2010
    - Percent graduated out of all majors declining
      - 5% drop since 2004
  - Concerned about consequential faculty decline
  - Discussion points
- Lack of recognition on CU website
  - Rarely any focus on Humanities
  - Need to value non-scientific pursuits
    - Campaign that shows the benefits of Arts and Humanities
    - Stanford publicizes Arts and Humanities
- Work on Engineering curriculum
- More Humanities courses
- Make it easier to double major
- Work with Admissions
  - Come To CU For A Day event
  - Incoming students need to be able to find out about individual departments
    - Move away from the college-based model
- Colorado History Day
  - Who sponsors the event now?
- In coordination with the Arts & Sciences Council, we might look to form a task force to look at the issue
  - BFA create an ad-hoc committee

**Faculty Affairs Committee Motion** -- Paul Chinowsky

The motion introduced by Martin Walter at the September General Meeting on behalf of Faculty Affairs (which lacks a quorum) was discussed.

**Committee Repopulation Plan**
- Tabled until next week

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 pm by Paul Chinowsky.

Submitted by Haley Goddard, BFA Student Assistant.