MINUTES
Boulder Faculty Assembly Executive Committee
February 6, 2017

Executive Committee Members Attending:
Melinda Piket-May, Chair
Adam Norris, Vice Chair
Katheryn Pieplow, Academic Affairs Committee Chair
John Hoover, Administrative Services and Technology
Greg Carey, Administrator Appraisal Committee Chair
David Gross, Budget and Planning Committee Chair
Alastair Norcross, Faculty Affairs Committee Chair
Rolf Norgaard, Instructor-Track Faculty Affairs Committee Chair
Roseanna Neupauer, Intercollegiate Athletics Committee Chair
Philip Chang, Libraries Committee Chair
Catherine Kunce, Student Affairs Committee Co-Chair

Liaisons and Guests Attending:
Robert Rupert, Arts and Sciences Council Chair
David Kassoy, Retired Faculty Association President
Richard Bateman, United Government of Graduate Students President
Juan Garcia-Oyervides, UGGS Executive Vice President
William Kaempfer, Senior Vice Provost and Associate Vice Chancellor for Budget and Planning
Sierra Swearingen, Boulder Faculty Assembly Coordinator

The Boulder Faculty Assembly Executive Committee held a regular meeting on February 6th, 2017 in Regent Hall Room 1B25. BFA Chair Melinda Piket-May convened the meeting at 4:00 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

I. Officers’ Report and Discussion Items

   a. BFA report at the Chancellor’s Executive Committee meeting has been postponed.

   b. Piket-May requested discussion on allocation of agenda time for debate.
      
      a. Comments included that to provide sufficient time for debate, speakers should be
         asked to report on targeted issues rather than a general update, and should spend
         time reporting to the BFA’s Committees before bringing a more targeted report
         to the full Assembly.

II. Parliamentary Procedure with regard to Resolution to Revise BFA Bylaws

   It was generally agreed that the BFA did not follow its procedural rules at last Thursday’s
   meeting of the full Assembly, during the presentation and voting on the Bylaws Committee’s
   motion to revise the Bylaws.

   The Executive Committee discussed how to proceed. Comments and suggestions included:
      
      • Under the rules the motion may not return to the Assembly unless it has substantively
        changed.
• The proposed revision included several details, which may have confused the voters, therefore it could return as a series of separate motions.
• The BFA could use clickers to improve the efficiency of voting during the meeting.
• The BFA could consider using virtual spaces to hash out the debate.
• With regard to the idea that some units are not currently represented, how could the BFA Bylaws be general enough to provide flexibility, but specific enough to avoid confusion?
• Piket-May reported that BFA will present its recent resolutions to the Board of Regents at the Regent meeting in Boulder on February 17th.
  o The Resolution Condemning the Recent Executive Order on Immigration will be presented by BFA Faculty Affairs Committee Chair Alastair.
  o The Resolution to Address Climate Change will be presented by Shelly Miller, who served on the ad-hoc Climate Change Committee.
• There was discussion on the nature of the BFA’s rights and duties under the Laws of the Regents [Regents Laws Article V. Section E.5.E - http://www.cu.edu/regents/laws-and-policies/regent-laws/article-5-faculty].
• The Executive Committee requested the Bylaws Committee bring any new motions to revise the Bylaws to an Executive Committee meeting before bringing them to the BFA.

III. Discussion / Open Forum

Recent Claims of Clery Act Violations

Piket-May requested that Executive Committee members read the three articles she distributed to them, prior to next Monday’s meeting:
• http://www.si.com/college-football/2017/02/03/colorado-football-joe-tumpkin-assault-case?
• http://www.colorado.edu/today/2017/02/03/chancellors-corner-lessons-learned-handling-tumpkin-domestic-violence-case

Concepts and comments that arose in the discussion the followed include:

• It was suggested that the Committee also review relevant sections of UCB’s Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC) site, to read the protocols governing sexual misconduct [http://www.colorado.edu/institutionalequity/].
• There was a request for information about what role the Chancellor’s legal advisors played or should have played in the recent events.
• There was discussion of whether UCB’s Sexual Misconduct policy sufficiently communicates what behaviors are required to be reported [http://www.cu.edu/ope/aps/5014].
• Under the Laws of the Regents BFA has the authority to work with Administration to ensure that policies governing how the Campus responds to sexual misconduct are appropriate.
• Each Campus has its own Title IX Office. The CU System does not have an office of Institutional Equity.
• There was a request for written responses from the Chancellor and the Office of Institutional Equity describing the consequences to individuals when they fail to follow UCB’s Sexual Misconduct policy.
• OIEC makes findings accompanied by recommendations as to sanctions but the Chancellor can choose not to follow them.
• Failure to report is a violation in itself, so the same list of possible consequences could apply.

Moved by Kathryn Pieplow and seconded by Alastair Norcross, that Melinda contact OIEC to report the alleged failures to report, and investigate.

Discussion followed.

It was noted that we do not know who failed to report. The OIEC will investigate.

The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Committee Updates

The Administrator Appraisal Committee will send the Committee’s report on Dean Leigh next week. The BFA Executive Committee will discuss the report at its meeting on February 13th. The BFA Office will distribute the report, watermarked as confidential, in a few days.

V. Adjournment

There being no further business, Piket-May adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sierra Swearingen-Todd, BFA Coordinator.