



Boulder Faculty Assembly

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BFA Faculty Affairs Committee Notice of Motion
Motion to Update the Faculty Affairs Committee charge
BFA-25-04-17-2-M

Whereas the work and mission of the BFA Standing Committees must necessarily evolve to keep in step with changes in campus structure, organization, and administration; and

Whereas per the BFA Bylaws Article V. Part A. Committees Section 1 states:

Committees act as official advisory panels to the Executive Committee and the Assembly as provided for in the Standing Rules. Committees shall regularly evaluate the campus policies, procedures, and standards that fall within the scope of their charge; and

Whereas the members of the BFA Faculty Affairs committee have discussed and voted to approve revisions to the committee charge to more accurately reflect ongoing areas of work along with key committee initiatives over the next three years.

Whereas the BFA Bylaws state in Article V. Part A. Committees Section 2:

Standing committees may be created, modified, and dissolved by the Assembly. The charge and purpose of each committee should be determined by the Assembly and incorporated into the Standing Rules of the BFA.

Be it Resolved that the Boulder Faculty Assembly approve the revised charge for the ***BFA Faculty Affairs committee (FAC)***.

Submitted by the BFA Faculty Affairs Committee: April 17, 2025

Approved for submission to Assembly by the BFA Executive Committee: April 21, 2025

Scheduled to be submitted to the BFA General Assembly: May 1, 2025

*Approved via Qualtrics Ballo September 4th with
57 yay votes, 1 nay vote, and 4 abstentions*



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BFA Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) Charge Update 04.17.25

Proposed charge:

Charge & Proposed Committee Focus

The Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) shall address matters of faculty responsibilities and rights in teaching, research, and service. In particular, it shall periodically review existing (or proposed) policies and practices that impact faculty research, teaching, and service and will provide perspectives to the Assembly.

For example, the Committee shall be consulted in regard to any changes to the comprehensive and continuing system used to evaluate faculty while at the same time giving proper protection to the rights of individuals. As another example, the Committee shall periodically work with the Grievance Advisory Committee to review the Professional Rights and Responsibilities of Faculty Members (PRR) and recommend to the Assembly appropriate revisions. Additionally, the FAC Committee shall periodically work with the Teaching Faculty Advisory Committee (TFAC) on matters of interest that concern both branches of the core faculty.

Membership

The Faculty Affairs Committee shall be composed of eight faculty members who are entitled to vote on committee matters. This includes two BFA representatives from any college or school; three faculty senate members from Arts & Sciences, and three faculty senate members from Other Units (Non-A&S – these include: Engineering, Business, CMCI, Education, Law, Libraries, and Music). Ideally membership will reflect representation across the various Colleges and Schools within the University. The Committee may invite non-voting resource members with expertise pertaining to the Committee's charge as necessary.

Existing charge:

The Faculty Affairs Committee shall address matters of faculty responsibilities and rights in teaching, research, and service. In particular, the Committee shall: make recommendations in regard to a comprehensive and continuing system to evaluate faculty while at the same time giving proper protection to the rights of individuals. The Committee shall be responsible for policy relating to the professional rights and responsibilities of faculty members. It shall periodically review the Professional Rights and Duties of Faculty Members and Roles and Professional Duties of Department Chairs document, and recommend to the Assembly appropriate revisions. The Committee shall monitor the activities of the Vice Chancellor's Advisory Committee, the Research and Innovation Office, and the Privilege and Tenure Committee of the Faculty Council, and their functional successors, as well as any grievance procedures that concern faculty, and make appropriate recommendations to the Assembly on matters of policy relating to the work of these committees.