



Boulder Faculty Assembly

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BFA General Assembly

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 1, 2024

The Boulder Faculty Assembly held a regular meeting on Thursday, February 1, via Zoom. BFA Chair Shelly Miller read the campus land acknowledgement statement and then presided over the meeting. The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. and was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

I. [Concealed Carry Weapons Ban at CU](#) –

- Chase Cromwell, CUSG Tri-Exec
- Shelly Miller, BFA Chair
- [National Higher Education Concealed Carry Status](#)

President Cromwell updated members on current state legislation under consideration that could impact CU's concealed carry policies. Students will be speaking at the February Board of Regents meeting that will be held on campus at the SEEC building encouraging them to change system policy.

II. [BFA-R-1-112823 Credit for Prior Learning Policy](#)

- Garrett Bredeson, BFA Academic Affairs Committee (AAC)
- Katherine Eggert, Sr. Vice Provost for Academic Planning and Assessment
- Kristi Wold-McCormick, Asst. Vice Provost & University Registrar

The BFA AAC reviewed the policy extensively during November and December and provided feedback to Academic Affairs. This item was introduced at the December 2023 Assembly meeting and the committee did not receive any feedback. Member discussion included request form processes and costs which are being finalized, as well as department curricular approval processes for outside certificates or non-credit courses. Representatives approved the resolution with 35 votes in favor; 5 opposed; and 6 abstentions.

III. [Updates from the BFA Chair](#) – Shelly Miller, BFA Chair

- [CU Boulder Chancellor search committee](#) - a large number of applications were being reviewed and committee discussions were scheduled for that week.
- [Climate Action Plan](#) – The plan was rolled out the first week of February and would be open for comment until March 5th.
- Ethnic Studies & Doxing Incident – The BFA met recently with department members and would like to encourage campus members to offer support for their community.

IV. [BFA Conversation with CU President Saliman](#)

President Saliman spoke with members about several items including three questions asked by the BFA Executive Committee:

- *How are you raising awareness of the value of a 4-year degree and breaking down barriers to higher education?*
 - Saliman spoke about a state-wide higher ed campaign called “It’s Closer Than You Think” aimed at encouraging Colorado high school students to look and review in-state options that are more affordable than out of state.



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- *How are you and your office working with state legislators and Governor Polis to increase CU funding and work towards the elimination of TABOR?*
 - System is working with state leaders to access surplus funding from TABOR for AP/IB credit funding. He also asked members to review the [Funding in Higher Education report](#) showing a 27% decline in state support.
- *Where will we find resources for climate action on our campus and how is system supporting the goal to drastically reduce our carbon footprint?*
 - Resources will come from campus. There are plans for a system-wide group to review what all campuses are doing in order to learn from each other and elevate the issue system-wide.

V. Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR) Report –

- Don Oest, BFA Intercollegiate Athletics Chair (IAC)
- Joe Jupille, FAR

The Faculty Athletic Representative is an NCAA mandated position. Jupille will complete his term next year and encouraged representatives to consider running. A call for nominations is expected by fall 2024. IAC chair Don Oest invited members to attend the third event in the committee's campus athletics series on February 14, 2024.

VI. Spring 2024 Assembly At-Large Representatives elections – BFA Secretary Vicki Grove announced the call for nominations for the seats. Nominations were open until February 23rd.

Meeting Attendance and Documents

Assembly Attendance: Please see the attached list of meeting attendees

Meeting Documents: All the below documents can be found in the [Google 2023-24 BFA General Assembly shared folder](#) under the corresponding semester and meeting date.

- CU Boulder students call for ban on campus concealed carry_Cromwell_012724
- BFA-R-1-112823 Credit for Prior Learning
- PLA_Draft.docx 11-14-23
- Credit for Prior Learning Policy – Bfa 2-24
- FAR at CU Boulder BFA 20240201
- BFA ExCom Attributes Next UCB Chancellor.Final
- SP_2024_BFA Campus-Athletics Flyer #3