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BFA General Assembly
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 7, 2024

The Boulder Faculty Assembly held a regular meeting on Thursday November 7, 2024, in person at CU Law Room 204 with a Zoom option. BFA Chair Shelly Miller presided over the meeting. The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. and was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. Please see the CUBT news story on the meeting.

I. 2024 State of Open Access (OA) Report –
    Robert McDonald, Dean of University Libraries & SVP Online & Extended Educ.
    Carolyn Moreau, Asst. Dean Communications & External Relations Libraries
    Jamie Wittenberg, Asst. Dean Research & Innovation Strategies Libraries

    Review of the data points on open access this last year as well an update on the new Open Access website page.

    Notes and discussion items to share with constituents;

    - Subscription journals still make up 75% of Libraries budget

    - **Ensure your department finance staff use account code:487618.** This allows CU to track real spending costs and can be used to leverage contract negotiations.

    - Encourage use of Open Access (OA) website including:
      o Open Access Fund – check early to see if you qualify for funding help!!
      o Open Monograph Fund
      o OA Funding Recommender tool
      o Open Journal Hosting Policies
      o Open Educational Resources
      o Support for Open Access Resources and Funding
    - Article Galaxy Scholar (new service) or interlibrary loan (ILL) for titles not under current agreement

II. Institutional Equity & Compliance Office (OIEC) Updates:

    Llen Pomeroy, AVC & Title IX Coordinator,
    Teresa Wroe, AVC Prevention Educ. & Deputy Title IX Coordinator

    Review of office services and processes, as well as an update on student survey.
    Notes and discussion items to share with constituents

    OIEC services include:
    - Case resolutions unit – addresses allegations/complaints of sexual misconduct or protected class for students, faculty, staff, or non-affiliates with concerns.
      o All complaints are investigated and reviewed but may not proceed to a formal investigation when a complainant doesn't want that option.

- o Newspaper articles in the Denver Post and Daily Camera earlier in fall incorrectly noted that their office "chooses" to investigate or not.
- o All complaints are tracked in OIEC records and are analyzed quarterly with Academic Affairs.
- o See articles/opinion pieces in CU Boulder Today and the Daily Camera (10/11/24) noting OIEC process overviews and case data.

- Support and safety measures unit – help to make sure there are accommodations for folks who may be impacted in their living or work environment while a case is being investigated. A key area of concern related to this is around retaliation/accountability – complainant information may be withheld regarding OIEC process due to fear of retaliation. Pomeroy would like to partner with the BFA to help review this topic. Please ask constituents with questions to contact Shelly Miller bfa@colorado.edu

- Education, prevention, and assessment unit –
  - o Sexual assault and related harms survey for students only opened Oct.22 and **closes Dec. 8** – conducted every four years. In 2021 it was combined with Campus Culture Survey, but the feedback was that it was too long. Campus Culture Survey for students, staff, and faculty will be given next year. Current student survey is much shorter and needs broad participation to assess what campus is doing as a community to help prevent harms from happening.

II. Academic Technology Survey Results
Janet Casagrand, Academic Tech/Services Committee (ATSC) Chair
Rebecca Kallemeyn, Program Manager Academic Tech. – OIT
Viktoriya Oliynyk, Director Academic Technology - OIT
Elizabeth Romero-Fuerte, AVP/AVC Academic Technology/Student Success

This survey goes out every 2-3 years to both students and course instructors of record (faculty, GPTI's, TA's) across colleges/schools. Survey asks about academic technologies they support (Canvas, Zoom, iClickers, software tools used in classes, etc.). Results overall were positive and didn't note too many large gaps.

Notes and discussion items to share with constituents:
- See survey results Academic Technology Survey in the BFA shared folder
- Faculty are most interested in new technology that benefit student learning and save time
- Canvas and Classroom Capture were two most popular tools for both faculty & students
- Student comments noted that consistent faculty use and familiarity with Canvas is needed.
- Canvas course templates will be available this spring and will be presented at February Assembly meeting.
  - o Center for Teaching & Learning (CTL) teaching technology resources

III. BFA Bylaws & Standing Rules Motions
- **Article 3 Officer Changes** – The BFA Bylaws committee has proposed to change officers titles and roles to Chair/Chair-Elect/Immediate Past Chair. These changes match both CU System Faculty Council and a vast majority of faculty senates across the country. Additionally, these items will be moved from the Bylaws to the Standing Rules for consistency.

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- **Standing Committee Charge Updates –** Standing committees must review and update their charges every three years. The following committees have approved updates from their committees and are asking Assembly approval for those changes.
  - Academic Affairs Committee (AAC)
  - Academic Technologies & Services Committee (ATSC)
  - Diversity Committee (DEI Committee)
  - Intercollegiate Athletics Committee (IAC)

IV.   Updates from the Chair
- Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) job posting open until Dec. 2
- BFA-M-5-110524 Support of Colorado Higher Ed Faculty Letter re: CDHE Proposal for Reduced Credit Hour Bachelor Degree – members approved this resolution with 42 votes in favor, 2 opposed, and no abstentions. Miller signed letter and sent to state faculty senate groups.

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 *AY4-25 BFA General Assembly Google Folder* under the corresponding meeting date.

- October 3, 2024 General Assembly Agenda Final.2
- BFA Priorities & Actions Slides
- Indigenous People's Day event
- BFA IAC Athletics Conversation Series #1 - Jupille