

Boulder Faculty Assembly

General Assembly Meeting chair's Summary

Thursday February 6, 2025

Senior Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation and Dean of the Institutes Massimo Ruzzene Addresses BFA

- Answered questions on a range of topics from how to protect student rights in the classroom to grants should be dealt with in the light of the disruptions
- “This is a marathon, not a sprint...We must remain committed to our values. We need to support each other, and we need to remain confident that our excellent work and care for one another, for our students, will make a difference,” said Ruzzene.
- See the [CUBT Assembly news story](#) and the next slide for informational websites with the most up-to-date information and resources

Retirements and Restructuring

- BFA Chair Miller announced that they will retire in June 2025. “I really enjoyed my time in my many roles with BFA,” Miller said.
- BFA Program Manager Howard and BFA Secretary Grove announced that they will retire in Jun 2025 also.
- These transitions have provided opportunity to reimagine certain roles, including a new faculty seat called the [faculty shared governance advisor](#). This is a three-year position to be filled by a faculty member with broad campus experience. Their job will be to advise the BFA officers and consult with college and school faculty governance bodies on campus faculty shared governance issues.
- Additionally, based on [motions approved in December](#), the Bylaws committee and ExCom have proposed a new title of BFA Parliamentarian & Bylaws and Elections Chair since the secretary role will expand to include some elements of the previous vice chair:
- Any feedback or questions should be sent to bfa@colorado.edu; these changes will be voted on at the March BFA meeting.
- **Faculty with interest in running for upcoming BFA officer seats should reach out to Miller. Officer elections will be held in April and May.**

Additional Updates

- The BFA / Center for Teaching and Learning working group on generative AI has created syllabus guidance, and faculty are encouraged to [view the guidance](#) and [join the working group](#), which meets on Fridays.
- A motion was introduced recommending faculty include generative AI guidance on their syllabus statements based on this guidance.

Informational Websites with the Most Up-to-Date Information on the Federal Transition

Federal Transition Advisory Committee (TAC)

- [CU System Federal Transition Updates](#)
- [Office of Government Relations Updates Blog](#)
- [Research & Innovation Federal Funding Updates](#)
- [Buff info – centralized point of contact info/resources](#)
- [Questions to Buff Info](#)

Academic Freedom

- <https://www.colorado.edu/academicaffairs/about/academic-freedom/scholarship-safety-guide-cu-boulder>
- <https://www.colorado.edu/academicaffairs/about/academic-freedom/scholarship-safety-guide-cu-boulder/differentiating-criticism-potential-or>

International Student Support Services & Center for Inclusion & Social Change

- [Immigration alerts - ISSS](#)
- <https://www.colorado.edu/cisc/resources>

CUPD FAQ

- <https://www.colorado.edu/undocumentedstudentresources/faqs-0>

City of Boulder Resources

- <https://bouldercolorado.gov/news/resources-our-immigrant-and-lgbtq-communities>

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

- <https://www.colorado.edu/undocumentedstudentresources/faqs-0>
- <https://www.colorado.edu/leadershipsupport/resources/definitions-citations-campus-guide-dei-terms>
- <https://www.colorado.edu/undocumentedstudentresources/ice-requests>
- <https://www.colorado.edu/leadershipsupport/five-goals>

BFA Resolutions

Approved

- [Approved: BFA-1-R-12022024 Academic Policy on Micro-Credentials](#)

Introduced to be Voted on March 6, 2025, Assembly

- [BFA-M-1-013125 UCB Faculty Shared Governance Advisor](#)
- [BFA-M-2-013125 Motion to Change BFA Secretary Title](#)
- [BFA-R-3-03125 Recommendation for AI statement in syllabus statements](#)

BFA At-Large Representative Elections

BFA is [accepting nominations](#) for three BFA at-large representative positions, two of which are outside of the College of Arts and Sciences, one within. Nominations are open **through Feb. 24**, with voting open March 3–14.

Upcoming BFA and Faculty Events – Save the Date!

- [Difficult Dialogue: Academic Freedom](#) – Center for Humanities & Arts (CHA) – Feb. 26 – 12-1:30pm British & Irish Studies Norlin
- Creating Environments For All to Thrive in Athletics – DaWon Baker, CU Athletics – Thursday, March 6, 9:30-10:30am Miramontes Baca 260
- "[Can Geoengineering save us?](#)" Thursday, March 13, 2025, 2pm to 4pm
- [Center for Teaching & Learning \(CTL\) sessions](#):
 - [BFA & CTL AI Working Group – AI and Honor Code](#) – Friday, Feb. 14 – noon-1pm Zoom – all faculty are welcome – this is an open group
 - [CTL Learning Lab: Investigate Gen AI](#) – Friday, Feb. 14 10-11am
 - [Spring Conference 2025 - Promising Teaching Practices: Equity, Authenticity, and AI in the Modern College Classroom featuring keynote speaker Flower Darby](#) – Feb 24-25th