

Nomination Statement for
BFA Vice-Chair
May 2018 Elections

Vicki Grove

In the fall of 2018 I will begin my third term as BFA representative for my department, Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures, and at present I am concluding my second term as BFA Secretary. My experience on the BFA and service on its committees, including the Faculty Affairs Committee, Library Committee, Bylaws Committee, and Nominations and Elections Committee, as well as the BFA-appointed ODH Ad-Hoc Committee, has been a valuable learning experience for me, and I have gained a great appreciation for the work of university staff and administrators, and for the rules, both campus and Regent, which govern it. I also participated in the inaugural program of the BFA Leadership Institute, under the leadership of a former BFA Chair. Working closely with other faculty members and meeting with administrators, including Chancellor Phil DiStefano and Provost Russell Moore, as well as Kelly Fox and several others, I gained still greater insight into the inner workings of the University, in terms of its administration, budget, public relations, etc. Still more importantly was the ability to work in a small group with my peers to help to identify and address issues specific to faculty at the university and to present our ideas directly to the CU administrators. I continue as a member of the Provost-appointed Faculty Communications Committee, which came about directly from the work of the BFA-LI.

Having served as BFA Secretary now for two terms, and having gained a solid understanding of the work and responsibilities of the BFA and the university administration, I feel ready to take on the role of Vice Chair of the BFA, and I welcome the opportunity to continue to work closely with the faculty, and with the members of the BFA and its committees. I very much appreciate the nomination, and I recognize and take seriously both the responsibilities of the position, and the privilege it accords. I am confident that I will fill the office of BFA Vice Chair competently, effectively, and to the best of my ability.

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