

MINUTES
Boulder Faculty Assembly Executive Committee
October 19, 2015

Executive Committee Members Attending:

Melinda Piket-May, Chair
Bob Ferry, Vice Chair and Bylaws Committee Chair, Acting Diversity Committee Chair
Adam Norris, Secretary and Nominations and Elections Committee Chair
Peggy Jobe, Executive Committee At-Large Representative
Jeff Weiss, Executive Committee At-Large Representative
Greg Carey, Administrator Appraisal Committee Chair
Horst Mewes, Bylaws Committee Co-Chair
Martin Walter, Faculty Affairs Committee Chair
Rolf Norgaard, Instructor-Track Faculty Affairs Committee Chair
Joe Jupille, Intercollegiate Athletics Committee Chair
Philip Chang, Libraries Committee Chair
Steve Vanderheiden, BFA Student Affairs Committee Chair

Liaisons and Guests Attending:

Travis Tallant, Honor Code Chair
Micheale Ferguson, Faculty Advisor to the Honor Code
Bill Kaempfer, Senior Vice Provost and AVC for Budget & Planning
Richard Bateman, UGGS President
Melinda Markin, UGGS Executive Vice-President
Valerie Musgrave, Boulder Faculty Assembly Assistant
Sierra Swearingen, Boulder Faculty Assembly Coordinator

The Boulder Faculty Assembly Executive Committee held a regular meeting on October 19, 2015 in UMC Room 425. Chair Melinda Piket-May presided. The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. and adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

I. Special Report: Weeknight Football Games and other Campus Events

Bill Kaempfer, Senior Vice Provost and Associate Vice Chancellor for Budget and Planning, made the following points:

- There is a Parking and Transportation website that reports lot closures and limits.
- Faculty can always reschedule class activities to avoid special events on Campus.
- Tailgating is allowed in campus parking lots four hours prior to weeknight games.

He added that UCB's Police Chief would like to attend a meeting of the BFA Executive Committee to talk about interactions between faculty and Campus Security, generally.

Her report could include an update on the Clery Act.¹

II. Student Affairs Committee – Response to Honor Code Revisions

Committee Chair Steve Vanderheiden reported that the Committee is generally pleased with the changes and additions, with two items of feedback:

¹ Universities must provide certain supports for campus crime victims; must publically disclose statistics of crime in or around Campus every year; and must publically disclose related policies and procedures.

- the new Letter of Warning policies need clarification, and
- the five-year records retention policy should be extended to the entire time that a defendant is a student.

Honor Code Chair Travis Tallent and Michael Ferguson, Faculty Advisor to the Honor Code, responded that the Letter of Warning policy is for cases where a student is technically guilty of plagiarism, but that the offense is not serious enough to require the student to attend the writing seminar or write a reflection paper. They agreed that extending the records retention is a good idea, and will include that in a future revision.

Moved by Bob Ferry and seconded by Greg Carey to approve the proposed Honor Code Revisions.

The motion passed with none opposed and two abstentions.

III. Chair's Report

Piket-May gave a report on a recent Colorado Faculty Advisory Committee meeting. CFAC is a CCHE subcommittee with members from all of Colorado's Higher Education institutions, most of which are not four-year institutions. Topics included:

- a. The CCHE's ongoing plans to implement various forms of Prior Learning Assessment. PLAs grant students the right to get college credit for a variety of things, including A.P. or I.B. courses, portfolio reviews, and challenge exams.
- b. The CCHE has a new base-funding formula that adds performance as a metric.
- c. Several schools reported progress on their Inclusive Excellence initiatives.

IV. Budget Committee Update

Member Bob Ferry reported on the committee's ongoing project to develop Campus budget priorities, using a grid of the Campus' three overall priorities: Student Success, Revenue Diversification, and Advancing Our Reputation.

Discussion followed. It was suggested that other BFA Committees could use a similar grid, based on Campus priorities, to help develop their agendas.

V. Academic Affairs Committee Update

The Committee will elect a chair at its next meeting. Piket-May reported that she has asked the Committee to review campus policies for consistency between colleges, alignment with Regent Law, and transparency, and to recommend revisions if warranted.

Discussion followed, including that the Faculty I.T. Advisory Board has proposed Campus software changes to ensure that policies related to advising, for example, are applied more evenly across campus.

VI. Instructor-Track Faculty Affairs Committee Update

Chair Rolf Norgaard reported that the Committee is working to create a report on its request for a third faculty rank, to submit to the Provost next week. Discussion followed.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, Picket-May adjourned the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sierra Swearingen-Todd, BFA Coordinator.