Admin Council Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2022, 4:00-5:00 PM

Agenda

- Common Curriculum Discussion
- Engineering Education PhD
- CEAS Grade Policy Review
- 2022 College Awards
 - Student Nominations
 - Faculty and Staff Awards
- Strategic Visioning Overview
- Other Business and Announcements

Dean Keith Molenaar began the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Common Curriculum Discussion

Katherine Eggert, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Planning & Assessment, and Daryl Maeda, Dean and Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education, presented the proposal from the Common Curriculum Planning Committee, to create a common curriculum at CU Boulder. They discussed the purpose and goals of creating a common curriculum for accreditation, providing students with a co-curricular education, and for the purpose of creating sustainable futures for our students. The full proposal can be found at https://www.colorado.edu/academicfutures/common-curriculum.

Currently, Eggert and Maeda are visiting groups in each school and college and asking groups to consider the proposal and vote by the end of the semester. They will send the materials, and CEAS will plan to vote by the beginning of November. Please watch for upcoming communications and send any questions about the proposal to commoncurriculum@colorado.edu.

Engineering Education PhD

Angela Bielefeldt, Director for the IDE program, shared the proposal for a new doctoral degree in Engineering Education. The goal is to offer a new PhD that would be housed in the Integrated Design Engineering Program and would affiliate faculty in any department. It will consist of a flexible curriculum that will start with courses that are already available on campus. Eventually, the goal would be to hire tenure track faculty for this program that would also design specialized courses. Many of our peer universities (Michigan, Purdue, Virginia Tech, etc.) are already successfully offering similar programs.

Discussion followed with overall support from the council. Dean Molenaar emphasized his support for this as well. Currently, the proposal is awaiting a market analysis from ODA and then it will go to GEC for a vote. Molenaar would like to have an Admin Council vote on this, following GEC's vote, to include in the letter of support from the college. Please watch for future communications on next steps.

CEAS Grade Policy Review

Mary Steiner, Associate Dean for Students, briefly updated the council on the CEAS Grade Policy review that is taking place following a request to refresh it. This will be sent out prior to the last council meeting of the semester, and there will be an opportunity to provide feedback and vote on the changes.

2022 College Awards

Steiner and Molenaar reminded the council that student award nominations are due on Friday, October 14, and faculty and staff award nominations are due by November 4. Please encourage your teams to nominate people.

Strategic Visioning Overview

Molenaar provided an overview of the upcoming Strategic Planning process that is kicking off next week, following the below schedule. The planning will consist of 7 workshops, including an EAC workshop, and we will be offering a hybrid meeting option for the kickoff meeting. There will also be opportunities to provide electronic feedback on the strategic planning website. Departments and programs are expected to use the results of the college's process to do their own planning in their units.

- Kick Off: Wednesday, October 19 from 12:30 1:30 in ECCS 201
- Workshops:
 - Research and Innovation Session #1: October 21 at 10:00 11:30 in KOBL 352
 - Research and Innovation Session #2: November 4 at 10:00 11:30 in KOBL 352
 - Education Session #1: November 11 at 10:00 11:30 in KOBL 352
 - Lunch will be served in between sessions
 - Education Session #2: November 11 at 12:30 2:00 in ECCS 201
 - Inclusion Session #1: November 18 at 10:00 11:30 in KOBL 352
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 - Inclusion Session #2: November 18 at 12:30 2:00 in KOBL 352
- Closeout: Friday, January 13 from 10:00 11:00 in ECCS 201

Other Business and Announcements

Molenaar offered to visit a department or unit program meeting for a few minutes to answer questions. This is optional, and if you would like to schedule something, please reach out to Meagan.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00.