

Faculty Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, Nov 7, 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

In Attendance

Mike Jacobs	MSU Denver Representative
Adam Glick	CCD Representative
Mark Broyles	CCD Representative
Jody Beck	CU Denver Representative
Diana White	CU Denver Representative
Lulu Lantzy	Staff, Auraria Campus
Sandra Zuniga	Staff, Auraria Campus

The meeting began at 2:04 pm

2:04 Approval of Minutes

Diana White asked for a motion to approve. Adam Glick motioned; Mike Jacobs seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2:05 ABOD retreat debrief from Diana White

Diana felt FACAB was treated as a mere formality. She did not receive ABOD invitations over the summer; she had to email the entire board. Additionally, she only received the ABOD binder on Monday, and it lacked a cover sheet when other binders had cover sheets. During the retreat, there were no breaks.

Lulu provided some context and insight about the preparation for the ABOD meetings/retreat. AHEC always strives to get meeting docs out as soon as possible. With all the info gathering needed to best prepare the group, the docs are typically sent out the Friday before. The 2024 ABOD retreat was one of the

most efficient because of extensive preparation of ABOD docs. The retreat even finished ahead of schedule, which was not the case with previous retreats.

Diana shared that the retreat discussed Ballfield, Public Safety Building, Tivoli and an extensive discussion about the IPG. The Tivoli Reimagine project will be the first to undergo the IPG process. Jody Beck mentioned that redesigning a campus-specific space differs from other campus projects tailored to one institution. A question arose about whether Auraria has a design review board for each project or if that role falls to the IPG. Diana White clarified that the IPG assesses if a project aligns with the campus's mission and goals initially, with the design review being a subsequent step. The IPG will also oversee the MSU pool renovation.

Part of the Tivoli Reimagine project involves exploring resource consolidation opportunities within the Tivoli. Infrastructure upgrades and deferred maintenance are necessary, and discussions covered bond structures for students. A student-passed resolution permanently authorizes the bond fee, which remains unchanged despite increasing debt terms. The town halls saw significant staff presence with three faculty and three students attending, the student turnout was low for a student-centered project. Adam Glick noted student government representatives were present.

Diana shared that ABOD voted to support Ballot measure 7A, after Skip Spear (Auraria's General Council) presented two options. Lulu clarified that: (1) 7A already passed (2) ABOD voted to support due to the heavy impact this would have on campus and students. If RTD lost this funding, it will negatively impact the services provided to Auraria.

Conversations shifted to RTD. Diana commented that at the Auraria town halls on transportation and parking, she felt the RTD presentation dominated proceedings. RTD presenters seemed defensive, suggesting the campus should appreciate the current student pass rates. RTD lacks data on student usage.

Lulu added that ABOD also talked about bond fees. Diana White shared that the bond fee must be charged to all the students per the bond expert who presented to ABOD; presidents/chancellors are not comfortable with that.

2:25 ABOD process flow

Lulu shared that Auraria Chief of Staff, Shaneis Malouff, will be joining the December FACAB meeting to talk about the flow so FACAB can best advise on topics.

2:35 Academic calendar

Adam Glick asked about the academic calendar process and how often it is assessed. The CCD calendar is not aligned with the Auraria calendar for Spring 2025. Lulu shared some of the info the team was able to find: the academic calendar is set every 5 years. Auraria Campus (AHEC)'s primary role is to post it on the Auraria website. In the past, AHEC played a role in convening the institutions to talk about the academic calendar. The institutions have come together throughout fall 2024 to update and improve the process. An Academic Calendar Committee has been created, and a draft process is being finalized.

Jody mentioned that a few CU Denver groups have been exploring having two fall breaks and it was helpful to understand this process. Lulu reinforced that one institution cannot just change the calendar. As a shared campus, Auraria is statutorily required to have the same breaks.

Pursuant to CRS 23-70-103(2), "Responsibility of governing boards of constituent institutions":

"The respective governing boards of the constituent institutions shall provide for a common academic calendar which is sufficient so that students may begin, make progress toward, and complete a course at a time which will allow full

opportunity for enrollment in courses offered at any of the three constituent institutions. Registration periods shall coincide and the academic year shall commence and terminate simultaneously.”

2:45 FACAB committee structure/Meeting schedule & flow

This time works for Jody for next semester. For next month, we could do December 12th at 1:30 pm (90 minutes virtual).

3:00 Goals for 24/25

Diana wanted to shape goals for FACAB in 24/25, such as potential voting rights. Mark Broyles mentioned that FACAB could begin by showcasing their value/input over a period of time and this could be the best path to transition into voting rights.

Diana White suggested something helpful would be to receive regular updates and feedback on the IPG status. Adam Glick mentioned that they currently get some updates, and they talk to their committees, but it seems less upward than a typical advisory committee. He also suggested that familiarizing FACAB with ABOD could be the next step for FACAB. Diana White suggested meeting with the three governor appointees. Adam Glick suggested meeting with the presidents of the schools to receive feedback from them as to how advise the board. Mark emphasized that there are multiple projects coming up already that FACAB is a part of with opportunity to impact and advise on decisions, such as public safety and Tivoli.

Diana expressed desire to improve the FACAB meetings so it's not just pulling agenda items together and having people share info with FACAB, as it has been done historically for FACAB meetings. Lulu suggested each FACAB member share the flow of the faculty assemblies and what projects are being worked on for better mutual understanding in shaping the agendas. It's hard to know what

topics are top of mind without understanding what the faculty is working on and focusing on. The group will continue to explore this in the December meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm