



Student Advisory Committee
to the Auraria Board

SACAB Meeting

Date: 5 March 2021

Time: 11:00-12:00pm

Location: Zoom

ATTENDEES

Community College of Denver

- Mariam Osman, SACAB--Present
- Vacant, SACAB
- Kathryn Mahoney, Ex-Officio--Present [?](#)

Metropolitan State University of Denver

- Dominique Perez, SACAB--Present
- Birungi Balijhe, SACAB--Present
- Guillermo Ramirez, Ex-Officio--Present

University of Colorado Denver

- Olivia Neece, SACAB--Present
- Marlena Harwood, SACAB--Present
- Tierza Watts, Ex-Officio--Present

Auraria Higher Education Center

- Angela LeValley, Advisor and Tivoli Director--Present
- Raeanna Morgan, AHEC Marketing
- Chris Herr, AHEC
- Bryon Weber, AHEC Campus Planner --Present
- Jackie Slocombe, AHEC--Present
- Cassy Cadwallader, AHEC--Present
- Taylor Hibbs, SACAB Secretary--Present

Guests

- Lauren Gutierrez—Present
- Cody Phelps--Present

AGENDA

- Approval of Agenda and Minutes
 - Marlena called the meeting to order at 11:03am.
 - Olivia motioned to approve the agenda, Birungi seconded.

- Olivia motion to approve the minutes for 29 January, 19 February, and 26 February 2021, and Birungi seconded
- Guest Speaker(s):
 - There were no guest speakers for this meeting.
- Unfinished/New Business
 - Marlina mentioned that since the discussion with the guest speaker from the previous meeting, Dr. Wright, took up most of that meeting, that the position updates from both the previous and current week should quickly take place before the reading and amending of the resolution:
 - Position Updates from last week
 - MSU SGA
 - Dominique mentioned that the MSU SGA is figuring out what the prayer rooms will look like, and how to communicate that to the students.
 - CCD
 - Mariam mentioned that the SGA is working on improving student relations with the Excel tutoring zone
 - CU Denver
 - Olivia mentioned several small projects:
 - Compost kits out to students who want them
 - Swag for elections
 - Composting program
 - Sustainability on campus
 - Food waste recovery network
 - SSAC
 - No reports
 - ABOD
 - No reports
 - SCP
 - Narrowed down list of suitable plants for the shade garden, and next week will begin a draft of what the garden will look like
 - Progress was made on the plastic reduction policy for each institution
 - PODSOC
 - No updates
 - Reprogramming
 - No updates
 - Public Relations
 - No updates
 - Campus Updates: Angela Levalley
 - AHEC is starting to talk about what the fall semester will look like, whether event spaces will be used, etc.
 - Book store items are now 75% off everything; now is the time to buy swag
 - ACPD Final Edits
 - Prior to starting the edits, Marlina stated she wanted to hold an overview/reminder of Robert's Rules prior to the reading of the resolution, starting with clarification if she, SACAB chair, can vote on matters such as this.

- Angela stated that as it pertains to Marlana being a voting member, the SACAB bylaws are open to interpretation.
 - Under the “membership” section, it does not explicitly prevent the SACAB chair from voting.
 - Marlana and Angela did some research, and it seems as though the general belief is that for a small committee (like SACAB), the chair can indeed vote
 - As such, Marlana moved to take a vote to allow her to become a voting member specifically for this resolution.
 - Olivia motioned to hold the vote; Dominique seconded.
 - The motion passed unanimously
 - Tierza mentioned that since Marlana is both SACAB chair and the CU Denver rep, then she should be able to vote on matters such as the ACPD resolution, so that CU Denver will have the same representation as the other institutions.
- Marlana then proceeded to provide the overview of the Robert’s Rules processes for the final discussion and editing of the Resolution
 - The resolution will be read line-by-line, and that the “raise hand” function in Zoom should be used at any point to suggest modifications or to comment on the language of the resolution
 - Once a suggestion or comment has been made, then the body will move to open debate, and then voting on any change will occur
 - A 2/3 vote for the purposes of approving the language consists of 4 out of 5 votes.
 - For purposes of commenting on the discussion of the resolution, it was agreed that Robert’s Rules states that only voting members may make comments, but that the member may yield their time to a non-voting member or audience member for comment.
- Marlana proceeded to read through the resolution line-by-line, pausing for edits and discussion, as follows:
 - Olivia motioned to change the fifth line of the third paragraph of the introduction to the resolution from “Denver University” to “The University of Denver”
 - Marlana Seconded
 - Angela clarified that all instances of listed names of the other referenced institutions should also be changed from “UCCS” to “University of Colorado Colorado Springs” and “CU Boulder” to “University of Colorado Boulder”
 - Marlana motioned to approve this change
 - Dominique seconded
 - The motion passed unanimously
 - As the reading moved into the “Resolved” portion of the resolution, Marlana emphasized the importance of commentary and proposed edits
 - In response to the Body-Worn camera portion of the resolved section, Olivia raised the issue of the handling of footage once recorded.
 - Marlana stated that the resolution is suggestion, and that the actual implementation of the resolution’s suggestions fall on ACPD
 - Marlana stated that she found lots of evidence that bodycam programs are not effective at changing police behavior, or of making BIPOC people feel

more safe, and there have been instances in which bodycams have been used to further discriminate against people of color.

- That being said, she stated that there is evidence showing that bodycams have decreased the use of force and decreased police complaints. It also sets a precedence of accountability within the court system and could therefore be seen as a step in the right direction.
- Marlana stated that because of ACPD's budget, and that they are seeking a budget increase, a bodycam program seems feasible.
- Dominique stated she felt the same but is still in support of ACPD wearing bodycams. She stated she had also been researching the issue, and that the issue is tricky.
- Mariam mentioned that she shares Marlana and Dominique's feeling of unease
 - She does think that bodycams are a good first step, given the ACPD's request for an increased budget
- Marlana stated that she thinks the SACAB resolution should be viewed as a conversation starter
 - It could be the start of a beautiful collaboration with ACPD
 - This could be the first of many resolutions
- The reading of the resolution continued without a change to the resolution's language concerning Body-Worn cameras
- Marlana motioned to add a comma and a colon to the line beginning "officers who are found guilty"
 - The motion passed unanimously
- Marlana asked for clarification to the term "de-weaponize" in the line "**BE IT RESOLVED:** The Auraria Campus Police Department de-weaponizes patrol officers that are not actively responding to calls on Auraria Campus", and whether the current language of "weapons" refers to tasers and batons in addition to firearms, or if it was meant to refer only to firearms
 - Olivia mentioned that the current language could refer to tasers, but that the focus should be on firearms
 - Marlana suggested changing the phrase "de-weaponize" to "...officers are unarmed when not actively..."
 - Olivia asked if "arms" would refer to tasers, and Marlana responded that the term "arms" refers specifically to firearms
 - Marlana then motioned to approve that change
 - Olivia Seconded
 - The motioned passed unanimously
- Marlana noted that the line in the paragraph beginning "The Auraria Campus Police Department broadcasts..." that currently states "say their names" should be "says their names"
 - Marlana motioned, and Dominique seconded.
 - The motion passed unanimously

- Marlena motioned to change language in the line beginning “States that immigration...” from “campus police department” to Auraria Campus Police Department
 - Olivia seconded
 - The Motion passed unanimously
- Mariam suggested changing the phrasing in the line beginning “Acknowledges the history of systemic racism...” to include the phrasing of “...within the institution of policing...”, given policing’s origins in slave patrols and quelling of labor strikes
 - Marlena also suggested changing another portion of the same clause, from “...brutalization of BIPOC...” to “...BIPOC individuals and communities...”
 - Marlena motioned to implement those changes
 - Olivia seconded
 - The motion passed unanimously
- The reading finished without further changes to the language of the “resolved” portion of the resolution.
- Marlena raised a point of clarification:
 - Are resolutions signed as the draft of the resolution is currently signed?
 - Tierza mentioned that she has seen resolutions signed, but that usually if there are sponsors of the resolution, the individuals/sponsors are listed at the top
 - All ex-officos/advisor agreed that any sponsors and signatories should be listed at the top, bringing a consensus to the topic
 - Given the results of that discussion, Marlena moved to strike “Marlena, chair, Student Advisory Committee to the Auraria Board” from the resolution
 - Olivia seconded
 - The motion passed unanimously
- Olivia asked for clarification about the “special thanks” section at the end of the resolution.
 - Tierza mentioned that it was good to get input from the people and organizations mentioned in the “special thanks” section before including their names
- Given this discussion, Marlena motioned to strike the “...gender institute...” section from the end of the resolution, to remove specific mentions from the “special thanks” section, and change it to “...and other contributing individuals and groups that helped curate this piece of legislation”
 - Olivia seconded
 - The motion passed unanimously
- Bring ACPD Resolution to a vote
 - Marlena recommended that the committee move to vote to pass the resolution
 - Olivia Motioned
 - Birungi Seconded
 - The vote passed unanimously
- Adjournment
 - Marlena adjourned the meeting at noon.

