

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the CU Denver Downtown Campus Faculty Assembly's
Budget Priorities Committee

May 6, 2025

10:00 – 11:30 AM

Zoom

BPC Attendees: Sarah Fields (Chair, CLAS), Kelly McCusker (Secretary, Auraria Library), David Tracer (Vice Chair, CLAS), Travis Vermilye (CAM), Joanne Addison (CLAS), Julien Langou (CLAS), Christine Martell (SPA), Miloje Radenkovic (CEDC)

BPC Absent: Kevin Hirth (CAP), Manuel Garza (Staff Council Rep), Tony Cox (Business), Julia Mahfouz (SEHD)

Guests: Ann Sherman (Executive Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration), Jody Beck (Associate Professor and Chair of the Landscape Architecture Department), Keith Guzik (Department Chair of Sociology), Lisa Kieranen (Interim Associate Dean, CLAS)

Welcome (10:00am – 10:05am)

Ann Sherman (10:00am – 10:30am)

- D2/D3 roles in budget—criteria/definitions and purposes?
 - D2: on campus, credit bearing, subjected to GAR, extended studies program
 - D3: off campus, not credit bearing, can rent space on campus, subjected to GAR
 - ESL Academy: not credit bearing, rent space on campus
 - It's difficult to understand the difference between D1 and D2.
 - Who decides if it's D1 and D2? Goes through a whole process for budget and academic affairs. Process is being reviewed now.
 - If a program is D1, it must go to Board of Regents for review and approval.
 - Questions to ask during proposal reviews
 - Why do you think this program should be run as a D2 program and not a D1 program?
 - Will this D2 program potentially conflict/compete with some of our D1 offerings?
 - What type of activities related to the new degree will be conducted on campus?
 - Will you have some faculty teaching D1 courses and D2 courses and if yes how do you plan to handle their payroll?
 - D2/D3 will not pay all fees unless the program decides to pay into it. Examples of services that D2/D3 students generally don't have access to rec center, advising, counseling, writing center, and library.
 - Are D1 students subsidizing D2/D3 access to services? Not trying to get rid of D2/D3 but ensure D2/D3 are contributing financially to services they are using.

- Need to be aware of how D2 supports schools and colleges and how we are asked to create new programs and be financially responsible. This can relieve constraints and needs more transparency.
- It's not clear in the Budget Allocation Review Committee (BARC) report that differential tuition goes directly to schools / colleges.
- AHEC money: for FY 26, instead of three schools paying AHEC, [state is directly appropriating money to AHEC](#) and [outside study of AHEC](#) – starting in September and ending in January

College of Architecture and Planning: Jody Beck, Master of Arts in Landscape Architecture program proposal (10:30am – 11:00am)

- Approved unanimously

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences: Keith Guzik, Department Chair of Sociology and Lisa Keranen, Interim Associate Dean, Bachelor of Social Work program proposal (11:00am – 11:30am)

- Approved unanimously

Final Faculty session

- Approved April minutes
- Agenda item proposed for FY26: interested in assessing budget of schools and colleges; can help us understand how schools and colleges work; take a closer look at subvention; how is money coming in and how it is being sent. Will bring this proposal via email and for next year's BPC.
- Determine AY 2025-26 vice chair and secretary
 - Following up over email about reps for next year