Campus – Educational Policy and University Standards (EPUS) Committee Report
    May 8, 2015 - *Mark R. Malone, Chair*

The campus EPUS committee met last week to discuss:

1. **Possible changes to the Fall Schedule:**

   The group discussed many potential changes to the fall schedule and narrowed it down to three plausible alternatives:

   Option 1:
   Have Monday only off for Labor Day and the full week off for Thanksgiving

   Option 2:
   Have neither Monday nor Tuesday off for Labor Day and the full week off for Thanksgiving.

   Option 3:
   Keep the current Monday and Tuesday off schedule for Labor Day and Wednesday through Friday off for Thanksgiving.

   We created an "informal" survey and found the change to a one day Labor Day holiday and a full week at Thanksgiving is now favored more than two to one over the current calendar or the no break for Labor Day options. The unfavorable rating of for Option 2 and Option 3 are now more than 3:1 over Option 1. A pattern is emerging. The survey results are attached to this email. The question is, what do we do with the data? Note that this is not a comprehensive survey of all faculty and Option 1 will likely have to be modified.

   After meeting Tuesday with the Chancellor's Leadership Team, concerns were raised regarding meeting accreditation needs of some units and how they would be met. This will likely require some modifications in Option 1. Boulder has a similar plan and has additional hours on Sunday and Saturday of exam week to meet these requirements.

2. *Provide feedback to on the UCCS Facilities Policy. **400-001,** Topic: Facilities SUBJECT: Scheduling and Use of University Facilities and Physical Space*

   Summary of Faculty EPUS committee feedback from Monday, April 27:

   1.   Felt that university should be able to require security based on the type of event and if it was controversial or had a history of problems. We talked through the issues surrounding making security decisions based on event content. They suggested adding a line that the University reserves the right to add their own security if they deem it necessary.
   2.   Did not agree with not allowing faculty to come to campus on snow closure days and in particular felt stating in the policy that someone may be ticketed for trespassing was extreme.
   3.   Wanted there to be a higher priority in scheduling (within Priority #2 after academic classes) specifically for governance groups, above other types of university sponsored events. In other words, governance groups should be able to schedule more than a year out, as well as other events that have a more direct connection to

academics. We talked through specifically how the UC was funded and the challenge of prioritizing faculty events in that space.

4.	Thought there should be more detailed description about where the dedicated public forum space was located, as the current description in the policy could be also used to describe the Upper Plaza at the UC.

5.	Felt that it could be clearer where exactly you go to schedule a non-academic event in a classroom.

System EPUS Activities

System EPUS met in April to discuss changes APS 2006 - Policy Title: Retention of University Records. EPUS made some suggestions to Dan Montez will work to revise it and have it reviewed by University Counsel.   Further review of a revise document will resume in System EPUS for final approval in Fall.