University of Colorado Colorado Springs Faculty Representative Assembly

Resolution on Online Education Collaboration

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Whereas, faculty have the principal responsibility for decisions concerning pedagogy and curriculum, and development of general academic policies shall be a collaborative effort between the faculty and administration.

Whereas, the University of Colorado System is hiring an online education consultant in response to PSC-S-1212. The Faculty Representative Assembly of UCCS resolves that the University of Colorado system and the online education consultant shall collaborate with the UCCS office of the provost, the dean of each UCCS college, and the UCCS faculty representative assembly on all matters pertaining to the development, review, selection, delivery, marketing, administration, and support of all components of online education consistent with the principles of shared governance as described in CU Regent Law.

RATIONALE:

The UCCS campus is working to develop and deploy new online programs and focusing on improving the scalability and availability of online coursework while maintaining quality and controlling costs. The CU system continues to be engaged in similar conversations, and there is currently an effort to engage an external consultant for the CU system to develop more comprehensive plans for online education at CU. Faculty must be involved in this effort.