President's Report UCCS May 2012 Faculty Assembly

- (1) Academic Affairs Report Kathleen Bollard
 - a. Transparency Bill (HB 1252) will not be discussed in the extra session of the legislature.
 - b. There is now legislation to provide exceptions to the GT Pathways General Education Core – degree programs will to be able to ask for exemptions for their degrees. More information will be forthcoming from the CU System Academic Affairs office.
- (2) Positive Enrollment for health insurance and other employee benefits. Be sure to make this positive change by May 25. Otherwise you will be put in the high deductible program.
- (3) CU ad hoc committee on salary and equity (Mark Malone, Chair). The four campuses will be asked to provide demographic and other factors that impact merit and salary equity. The list of question areas is under final development and will be forwarded to the campuses and the individual campus leadership teams provide feedback on the questions and then... the campus leadership will determine how to collect this information. A final report will be written to analyze the issue across campuses.
- (4) Apparently some people have received false information (or have misunderstood information from TIAA Cref) regarding the University of Colorado employer contribution to the faculty TIAA Cref retirement plan. There are no changes according to Jill Pollack.
- (5) CU System UBAB (University Benefits Advisory Board) has made a request to have non-voting employee representation on the University Health Trust. Related, we need a member for the group and please let Andrea Hutchins know if you are willing in the next year. They meet monthly in Denver.
- (6) Please RSVP to the invitation from the LAS College for Tom Christensen's return to the faculty from the Dean position, Tuesday, May 15th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Heller Center. RSVP to Margie Oldham (<u>moldham@uccs.edu</u>)
- (7) Please attend graduation ceremony next Friday May 18 at 10:00am.
- (8) This is my final meeting as UCCS FA President but at the last CU System Faculty Council I was elected Vice Chair. So I will attend the CU System FC Executive and Council meetings and the meetings of the UCCS FA as Past President.

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