
**METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY of DENVER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 25, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Kristin Hultquist, subbing for Trustee Marissa Molina, Chairwoman of the Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) Committee, called the ASA Committee meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Board of Trustees Present: Trustee Barb Grogan, Trustee Mario Carrera, Trustee Mike Johnston, Trustee Kristin Hultquist, Trustee Jim Qualteri, Trustee Mike Kopp, Faculty Senate Trustee Meredith Jeffers, and Student Trustee Gabriel Trujillo

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – No quorum

Approval of the June 2, 2022 Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes –

Due to lack of quorum the June 2, 2022, ASA Committee Meeting minutes will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees meeting for approval.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Liza Amon Staff Emeritus Nomination – Bill Henry, Vice Provost, Faculty Affairs – No quorum

A recommendation from Dr. Tatum and Dr. Davidson for Staff Emeritus was submitted for Liza Amon. Administrators and staff completing 10 years of service to the university are eligible. Ms. Amon has retired after 33 years of service to the university. In addition to years of service, a staff member must show that they have contributed to the university over and above their assigned work. Ms. Amon has earned several outstanding staff awards.

Due to lack of quorum, the Board of Trustees will vote on the Staff Emeritus Nomination at their meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Student Success Grants Update – Will Simpkins, VP of Student Affairs

HEERF 1 & 2 Grants

The university received over \$35 million through the three HEERF allocations; 40,000 students have benefited from these grants. The Finish What You Started program will go through to the end of the spring semester. The Back to Work program impacted 101 students. The After School Program/21st Century College Readiness Center is the only middle school program; it is funded by the state and city. The Restorative Justice Micro-Grant was used to begin the process of revising the Student Code of Conduct using restorative justice instead of punitive justice. These grants have allowed the university to innovate and try new ideas.

Early in the pandemic, federal, state, and local governments began making funds available to 1) maintain higher education in the face of revenue loss, 2) support students, and 3) provide economic recovery resources to individuals and industries. MSU Denver was on the leading edge of accessing these resources.

Student Speed Networking – Sophia Tran, Presidential Fellow and Kristin Hultquist, Trustee,

MSU Denver is known for the diversity of students we serve and our commitment to student success. Trustees will spend time with several Roadrunners, learning more about their goals, their experiences, and their ideas for the future of the University. Each student will be paired with one or more Trustees and be prompted to discuss their future aspirations, why they chose MSU Denver, how they are dealing with college in a post-pandemic world, and what resources have made a difference in their journeys.

Dr. Tran gathered the students to chat with the Trustees with four groups with guided questions.

ADJOURNMENT