



Student Advisory Board
Monday, July 20, 2020
3:30 – 5:00 p.m. MT
Videoconference Meeting via Zoom

Participants

Jeremy Haefner, Chancellor

Thomas Walker, Co-Chair, Director, Inclusion & Equity Education, Campus Life & Inclusive Excellence

Kelly Bonk, *Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics*

Amina Bouayad, *Morgridge College of Education*

Haley Clark, *College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences*

Victoria Feliciano, *Graduate School of Social Work*

Erik Frederiksen, *College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences*

Marianne Hughes, *Korbel School of International Studies*

Breigh Jones-Coplin, *Graduate School of Professional Psychology*

Victoria Martinez, *Korbel School of International Studies*

Alex Niederberger, *College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences*

Lauren Sanchez, *Daniels College of Business*

Shubham Sapkota, *Joint PhD Program in Study of Religion*

Benjamin Schwartz, *Ritchie School of Engineering & Computer Science*

Joules Snopek, *Daniels College of Business*

Mia Sundstrom, *Daniels College of Business*

Anit Tyagi, *Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics*

Matt Underwood, *Daniels College of Business*

Claire Brownell, Director of University Protocol, Office of the Chancellor

Student Advisory Board members Abdulrahman Osama Ayad, Corey Fluke, and Atresha Singh were excused.

Opening Remarks

Dr. Walker welcomed members of the Board to the meeting. He reminded Board members about the co-chair election process and asked them to indicate their vote via the previously-distributed survey.

Chancellor's Update

Chancellor Haefner remarked that the primary focus of this meeting is to discuss DU's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and how DU can best prepare for a safe fall opening. He reiterated Dr. Walker's update about the co-chair election, noting that the co-chair will work with Dr. Walker to help create agendas facilitating robust discussion and feedback on student issues.

Chancellor Haefner presented a broad overview of [Creating a Community of Care: An Action Plan for DU's Fall Return to Campus](#), noting four main pillars: 1) health, safety, and wellbeing of the DU community 2) academic and classroom experiences 3) housing concerns and 4) the co-curricular student experience. He noted that the plan is a living document and will be changed and updated as needed. Dr. Haefner offered an update about Colorado's infection rates. He reported that DU signed an agreement with National Jewish Health, one of the leading hospitals in the country for respiratory issues, to partner regarding quarantine protocols, contact tracing, and testing. A discussion ensued regarding quarantine protocols, particularly for students returning to campus from high infection rate states.

Chancellor Haefner discussed course protocols noting that we will have a combination of face-to-face, completely online, hybrid, and hyflex courses. He noted that students will be able to register for courses best suited to their learning styles and situations. He discussed campus physical distancing and mask protocols for both classroom and co-curricular events.

The Chancellor reported that we have hired a new Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Todd Adams, who will start at DU later this summer.

Discussion

The Board discussed the following topics:

- Feasibility of moving in to the residence halls two weeks early in order to self-quarantine, particularly for students who are coming from out-of-state.
- Feasibility of symptom monitoring two weeks prior to returning to campus.
- A staggered approach to residence hall move-in.
- Contact tracing protocols, apps, privacy/data risks, and student contact tracing workers.
- Campus testing protocols and options.
- Campus protocols for confirmed cases of COVID-19, including notification to students, as well as requirement for DU community members who test positive to self-isolate.
- Recommended communication to students about "what if" situations.
- Visitor requirements for campus guests and Denver community members.
- Accessibility of campus buildings including the Anderson Academic Commons, the Ritchie Center, Marcus Commons in the Daniels College of Business, the new Community Commons, and Beans in the Joy Burns Center. A specific request was offered to implement a reservation system for fitness areas in the Ritchie Center.
- Co-curricular activities to support a robust campus community. Suggestions included involving DUPB; utilizing tents and other outdoor spaces while weather still allows; campus scavenger hunts; working with Alpine Club for outdoor and off-campus activities; modifying and promoting the DU Bucket List; outdoor yoga; movie watch parties; and distribution of care packages and t-shirts for students. Students noted that they do not want to be oversaturated with options and activities, and that they prefer in-person activities. The Board noted that engagement plans will need to be modified for winter weather.

- Co-quarantine options with other students and/or houses.
- Food service delivery.
- DU's public health campaign to address and prevent unhealthy behaviors, including coursework (possibly for credit).
- Distribution of DU face masks, with focus on DU and/or Denver branding instead of Pioneer branding.
- Regulation of, and physical space for, student organization meetings.

Closing Remarks

Dr. Walker thanked the Board for their good ideas. Chancellor Haefner thanked members of the Board for their ambassadorship.

Post Meeting Update

Dr. Walker thanked the students who expressed interest in serving as co-chair, and he thanked members of the Board for participating in the vote. He was pleased to report that Anit Tyagi was elected as co-chair of the Student Advisory Board.