



Student Advisory Committee  
to the Auraria Board

## SACAB Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 1/22/2021

**Time:** 11:00-12:00pm

**Location:** zoom

### ATTENDEES

#### Community College of Denver

- Taylor Hibbs, SACAB – present
- Mariam Osman, SACAB – present
- Kathryn Mahoney, Ex-Officio - present

#### Metropolitan State University of Denver

- Dominique Perez, SACAB – present
- Birungi Balijahe, SACAB – present
- Guillermo Ramirez, Ex-Officio – present

#### University of Colorado Denver

- Olivia Neece, SACAB – present
- Marlana Harwood, SACAB, Chair – present
- Tierza Watts, Ex-Officio – present

#### Auraria Higher Education Center

- Angela LeValley, Tivoli Director – present
- Raeanna Morgan, AHEC – present
- Chris Herr, ASCP – absent
- Jackie Slocombe, ASCP – present
- Cassy Cadawaller, ASCP – present

#### Other

### AGENDA

- ☐ Approval of Agenda and Minutes

**Meeting called to order at 11:05AM, Marlana amended the agenda to include discussions about the**

**February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, as well as updates to the Police Advisory Committee. Olivia entertained the motion to approve the agenda, and Dominique seconded**

- ☐ Guest Speaker(s):
  - None
- ☐ Unfinished/New Business
  - Welcoming new members and position reassignments
    - Mariam Osman was introduced as the newest CCD SACAB representative. There was talk about rearranging the position updates, Olivia offered to step down as PODSOC Chair, and Marlana offered to step down as SCP Chair. Mariam was offered to consider these positions before accepting a role.
    - Taylor brought up that due to credit requirements, he was no longer able to serve as the ABOD Representative. Kathryn confirmed that this was the case. Angela suggested that position reassigning be tabled to a later date when further details about ABOD representation considering this might impact Mariam's position assignments. Marlana asked if Mariam was unable to fill the position, the Chair would step in as the ABOD representative.
  - ACPD Resolution Feedback Solicitation
    - Marlana asked if there were any updates to reaching out to student organizations for feedback about the ACPD Resolution
    - Olivia mentioned she had heard back from the African Student Union to schedule a meeting. Marlana mentioned she had heard back from Muslimahs for Change. She also asked the group to make reaching out to student organizations a priority item.
    - The committee decided on a general timeline for completion of the resolution. Student feedback solicitation was determined to end by February 5<sup>th</sup>. Marlana asked for committee members to report back. Passing of the resolution was determined to occur by February 19<sup>th</sup>.
    - Angela asked if committee members were checking in with Student Governments. Olivia mentioned that she brings it up in the CU Denver's Senate meetings every week, and that if it was desired by the Senate, the SACAB representatives could present. Marlana agreed, and said that the resolution process should be shared. Tierza mentioned over chat that another option would be invite SGAs to support SACAB's resolution and ask for a cosign.
  - Budget Review
    - Angela updated the group on the budget, which is a \$15,000 budget, of which SACAB has spent \$810.25. In a typical year, SACAB would have spent money on voting software in the Spring, but that would not be occurring. She mentioned that the budget does not roll over.
  - Minute-Taking Position

- Marlana mentioned that Angela and her had met to discuss hiring a temporary student employee to take minutes. A brief discussion was had about minimum wage, but Angela had not heard if this was reflected for temporary student employees.
- Marlana estimated that this would be a 2 hr/week assignment, and on the assumption that the minimum wage was \$14.77 as outlined by State law, then the subsequent wage would be approximately \$600 for the semester. She asked if there were any objections to seeking out a student employee to take minutes, and there were none. Marlana then moved to vote for hiring a student employee on the basis of \$600 per semester to take minutes for SACAB, which passed unanimously.
- ACPD Student Panel Update
  - Context: During the Fall 2020 semester, Chief Phibbs had previously solicited MSU Senate members to serve on a student panel to be held in early Spring semester.
  - Guillermo said that he had not heard any updates, but would speak to a member of MSU's senate to ask for updates.
- Election Updates
  - Angela told the group that the RTD Bus Pass had switched over to an "opt-in" model for students and staff. The CFO's met with the RTD CEO and a trial period for an opt-in system was agreed upon. The deadline to sign up is January 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - Since this was no longer a tri-institutional contract, AHEC took themselves out of the RTD contract planning, and thus there is no need to host elections. As a result, AHEC will not be purchasing election software this semester. All the institutions would still be holding elections during normal times, but it will look different for each school.
  - Marlana clarified that the student representatives of SACAB were considered only eligible for the student pass, and Angela confirmed. Jackie asked how students were signing up for the passes, and Angela said it was through each institution. The bookstore was then to create the passes. Jackie asked if she could have data on how many students signed up, and Angela said she would send it over.
- February 5<sup>th</sup> SACAB Meeting
  - It was brought to the Chair's attention that several MSU members would not be able to attend due to a leadership training with GITA. Tierza would also not be able to attend.
  - Mariam asked in the chat for clarification on why SACAB was discussing the meeting, and Marlana clarified that around a 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the committee would not be able to attend, and she was considering canceling the meeting. Guillermo suggested that February 5<sup>th</sup> could be a working meeting, or could be all together cancelled.
  - The group moved to vote on cancelling the February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, and it passed unanimously.
- Policy Advisory Committee Update

- Cassy Cadawaller reported that CAP had spent the last couple of weeks on decided position assignments and in the last meeting, body cameras were discussed. Cassy mentioned that research had indicated that body cameras were not effective as a tool. There was discussion about surveillance surveys and budget requirements to maintain or adopt new surveillance technology.
- Cassy mentioned voting was occurring this week for assignments to the Survey and Community Education subcommittee. Cassy asked for clarification on the ACPD resolution and if it included a call for a body camera worn, and Marlena confirmed this was an element within the resolution.
- Dominique asked if Chief Phibbs was the only person bringing research papers to these discussions, and Cassy said at this point Chief had been the only person, but other committee members have been discussing pieces of individually sought out research as well. She stated that she was surprised that the ACLU says that body worn camera programs were not recommended as a primary surveillance method. Cassy recommended that SACAB get involved with the Survey and Community Education subcommittee once it is established.
- Marlena asked if the research that Chief provided was a 2019 research student titled, “Randomized Control Trial Evaluating the Effect of Police Body Worn Cameras”. Cassy said no, it was a different study.
- Tierza confirmed that this committee was public, and Cassy said she believe this was correct, and there is a website for the committee. She mentioned that Chief has been thinking about how to get this information about the committee out to the general student, faculty and staff.
- Guillermo suggested that everyone be doing research regarding body worn cameras because research can be extremely biased. He pressed that there was a side to every story, and it was the responsibility of the group to explore several narratives and studies. Cassy agreed and said that she believes the group is interested in this, and asked if SACAB members had any research they could send over. Tierza suggested looking into the psychology of body worn camera programs, not just effectiveness.
- Marlena brought up that the ACLU is primarily against body worn camera programs is because there aren’t good policies by which to monitor the programs. As a result, these programs risk becoming police surveillance technology and that police departments may be exploiting said technology. Cassy thanked her and said this was helpful. She said that the committee is open and wanting to hear student opinions.
- Angela confirmed that the police advisory board’s minutes and zoom link were to become publicly available.

☐ Position Announcements

- Because this was the first meeting of year, position updates were tabled to the following meeting. Olivia moved, Dominique seconded.

☐ Public Comment

- None

☐ Adjournment

- **The meeting was adjourned at 11:59.**