FS Resolution on DU’s COVID-19 Decision-Making Values

Whereas the University of Denver’s Provost and Chancellor have expressed that the University

will be implementing in-person classes for the 2020 Summer Quarter and Fall Quarter, and;

Whereas current events related to the COVID19 pandemic continue to develop in Denver,

Colorado, the United States, and other nations in ways that cannot be fully anticipated, and in

light of the fact that guidance for the University from local, state, and national authorities may

contradict each other or be at odds with empirically based public health guidelines, and;

Whereas the University of Denver places a high value on the lives and well-being of all

members of its community, and;

Whereas the University of Denver, a private university dedicated to the public good, plays an

important leadership role in the larger Denver community, the University is called upon to set

an example of ethical practice for all public actors in the Denver area engaging with the

community at a time when public health is a primary concern for all community members.

Therefore, the Faculty Senate resolves that as decisions are made about re-opening DU for “in

person / face to face” operations in the coming months and beyond, the following values ought

guide the decision making of the University, including the new Task Forces:

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every r easonabl e effort to include as much input as possible from as

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