

Dear [insert name]:

Thank you for joining us for a very exciting discussion about the University of Colorado Boulder. Again, you offered us specific and practical suggestions which we can implement quickly and with positive results in the very near term. And, with your suggestions and inspirations, we can take our ideas around aerospace and entrepreneurship an order of magnitude beyond our initial goals.

Here is a brief summary of our discussion:

Campus Update and Budget: As we continue to improve our operations, we will work with you as we develop more robust practices for funding deferred maintenance projects, setting indirect cost recovery rates, cataloguing and managing space as well as ensuring our IT purchasing initiative is suited to our path forward. Kelly Fox has or will very soon reach out to you to discuss these ideas in more detail. We both appreciate your time and creative strategies in these areas.

Student Success: This mission goal is my top priority. Without it we will never make progress on the other two mission goals to develop new sources of revenue and to advance our reputation as a national comprehensive research university. In particular, we will look closely at your suggestions for a scholars' signing day, national and international partnerships, and how to integrate our campus student success programming with similar programming in the City of Boulder.

Grand Challenge: While we thought we had a big idea for CU Boulder's aerospace and related activities, you challenged us to think even bigger! We are working quickly to develop a more robust plan that we can begin to suggest to our other internal and external partners. We plan to develop a written proposal later this summer. This plan will address how CU Boulder can prepare our students for the future in this industry as well as contribute to the economic development of the state and nation.

CU Boulder as a Leading Entrepreneurial University: Here is where we can make our mark quickly and with enthusiasm. The time has come for CU-Boulder to proclaim its intention as a leading entrepreneurial university. It's already happening as demonstrated by the commitment of our faculty, staff and students. Now we must make the same commitment at the leadership level. I want to thank you for agreeing to participate on the next steps around these issues. We want a true and substantive partnership with our amazing start-up community.

On a separate note, my assistant is working to find another time for us to discuss opportunities for a CU-Boulder program for foreign entrepreneurs with Phil Weiser and Catherine Shea.

Thank you again for your serving on this Advisory Council and all you have done for CU-Boulder. You have made an incredible difference in just one short year and I look forward to our continued collaboration during this coming academic year.

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cc: Kelly Fox
Frances Draper