

Committee on Academic Standing

Minutes for March 9, 2011

PRESENT:

Rebeca Araya, Larry Brenner, Cheryl Byrd, Grace Campagna, Camilla Dacey-Groth, Helen Harrison, Mildred Hermina, Nikole Knight, Mary Lou McNichol, Octavio Melendez, Sibongile Mhlaba, Eugene Passer, Jorge Pineiro, Stephen Powers, Ajaz Sana, Alnisa Shabazz, Karen Thomas. *Also present:* Deborah Morris.

The meeting commenced at 2:05 p.m.

- I. Review of the Minutes of February 9, 2011 *Grace Campagna*
Minutes were distributed and reviewed. Lacking a quorum of members present at the previous meeting, approval of the Minutes is tabled until the following meeting.

- II. Proposed Changes to Prerequisites for the Nursing Curriculum *Deborah Morris*
The proposed changes would take effect in Fall 2011. The proposed changes are intended to re-clarify language in the codification stating that students who apply to the Nursing Program must achieve grades of at least “C” in their first attempt in the pre-nursing liberal arts courses CMS 11, ENG 11, and PSY 11. Language pertaining to the RN and LPN programs was passed as follows:
 - RN: passed unanimously.
 - LPN: 13 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstaining (late-arriving member).

- III. Old Business
 - A. Appeals and Waivers Report *Cheryl Byrd*
Recommendations of the Subcommittees of February 16th and March 2nd were distributed and reviewed. For the appeals of February 16th, CAS voted unanimously to accept the recommendations of both dates, except for Administrative Grade Case 6, 2/16/11, denied for insufficient documentation, which may be handled through Statute of Limitations instead.

 - B. Standards for Probation *Stephen Powers*
Proposed changes were presented and discussed. Changes will make BCC standards consistent with other CUNY campuses and would take effect in Fall 2011 for the purpose of advisement decisions for the Spring 2011 semester. Proposed changes entail assigning probation status earlier rather than after a certain number of credits is completed. CAS members will seek feedback from their respective departments.

C. Standards for Dean's List

Stephen Powers

Proposed changes were presented and discussed. CAS members will seek feedback from their respective departments.

IV. New Business

A. Online Degree Advisory Committee (ODAC)

Stephen Powers

The campus-wide committee will be reviewing various issues unique to online courses.

B. WN Grades

Stephen Powers

Retroactive recoding of grades for 2008-09 semesters is needed since WN grades for those semesters have affected student GPA calculations. The WN is an administrative grade which should not affect the GPA.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Grace Campagna