

Committee on Academic Standing

Minutes for October 12, 2011

PRESENT:

Evangelia Antonakos, Roni Ben-Nun, Larry Brenner, Cheryl Byrd, Grace Campagna, Vanessa Cofresi, Laurel Cummins, Fuseina Gimballa, Camilla Dacey-Groth, Paula Green, Mildred Hermina, Paul Jaijairam, Chernob Jallow, Mary Lou McNichol, Octavio Melendez, Mark Padnos, Eugene Passer, Stephen Powers, Wladyslaw Roczniak, Karen Thomas, Charlotte Witherspoon, Alexander Wolf. *Visitor: Betsey Hallihan.*

The meeting commenced at 2:00 p.m.

I. Approval of the Minutes of September 14th *Grace Campagna*

Minutes were distributed and reviewed. The Minutes were approved, 15 in favor, 0 against, 3 abstaining.

II. Old Business

A. Medical Lab Technician (MLT) Curriculum Changes *Stephen Powers*

At the October 6th Senate meeting, a question arose about courses repeated to replace a prior C grade. The MLT Program clarified that the original and repeated course grades would be averaged and counted as one attempt. On May 11, 2011, CAS unanimously approved the as-then-revised MLT curriculum. The latest revision is also now approved, 15 in favor, 0 against, 3 abstaining.

B. Appeals and Waivers *Cheryl Byrd*

Recommendations of the subcommittee meeting of September 21st were distributed and reviewed. 18 Administrative items were approved, 16 in favor, 0 against, 2 abstaining. 6 Statute of Limitations items were approved unanimously.

C. Dean's List Revisions *Stephen Powers*

A question arose regarding the proposed requirement that part-time students would have to complete a band of at least 12 credits in two consecutive semesters to be eligible for recognition. Clarification is needed as to whether and how the Summer and January sessions would count. The item is tabled to the next meeting.

III. New Business

A. CUNY Policy: Exit from Mathematics Remediation *Evangelia Antonakos*

The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science has requested a revision to allow students to repeat passing grades lower than C in **all** college-level **math** courses. ~~MTH 21, 23, 13 or 30~~. This is to allow students to meet the CUNY Math Proficiency requirement for transfer to CUNY senior colleges. A question arose as to whether a recent policy change would permit students to retake the COMPASS for placement purposes after they have already graduated from BCC. The item is tabled to the October 26th CAS meeting pending verification of the current retesting policy.

B. Statement on W and WN Grades *Octavio Melendez*

It is the position of the Office of Academic Affairs that W and WN grades have no impact on student academic transcripts. However, federal standards for student financial aid and minimum academic progress do count W and WN grades recorded for indexable academic courses as attempts against the total credits required for completion of the degree.

C. Attendance *Stephen Powers*

Current CUNY policy is that student attendance is not centrally recorded. However, faculty may individually record student attendance for academic purposes where attendance is a percentage of the course grade. Proposals for clarification and codification of a BCC attendance policy will be discussed at the next CAS meeting.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Campagna