

## Committee on Academic Standing

### MINUTES for September 25, 2013 (Approved 10/9/2013)

#### PRESENT:

Rasheen Allen, Charmaine Aleong, Evangelia Antonakos, Grace Campagna, Ayesha Depay, Anthony Durante, Monique Fortuné, Anthony Gatto, Sarah Hanssen, Mildred Hermina, Paul Jaijairam, Swan Kim, Duane Lewis, Clifford Marshall, Isabel Mirsky, Stephen Powers, Angel Resto, Wladyslaw Rocznik, Zuwang Shen, Alin Szabo. (*Note: Vote tallies below vary due to late arrivals.*)

The meeting commenced at 2:05 PM.

#### I. Introductions *Isabel Mirsky*

Isabel Mirsky introduced Anthony Durante as the new representative for the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Technology, and Clifford Marshall, who is attending today in place of Karen Thomas.

#### II. Approval of the Minutes of September 11, 2013 *Grace Campagna*

Minutes were distributed and reviewed. The Minutes were approved, 14 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstaining: Durante. (*Depay, Gatto not yet present.*) Isabel Mirsky verified that alternates may vote in place of the designated department representative; yet when both representative and alternate attend, they may not split votes during the same meeting.

#### III. Subcommittee on Student Appeals *Monique Fortuné*

Monique Fortuné distributed an informational chart summarizing 84 actions taken from August 27<sup>th</sup> through September 18<sup>th</sup>. During that time, 67 Administrative cases were reviewed of which 31 were granted, 11 were denied, and 25 were tabled; 17 Statute of Limitations cases were reviewed of which three were granted, three were denied, 9 were tabled, and two are pending; no dismissals were reviewed.

At the September 18<sup>th</sup> Appeals Subcommittee meeting, 42 Administrative appeals were reviewed of which 31 were granted and 11 were denied. Cases 6 and 7 are tabled in order to verify their disposition. The Appeals Agent clarified that the notations for Cases 14 and 24 had minor corrections. A motion to approve the September 18<sup>th</sup> subcommittee's recommendations as the remaining 40 Administrative cases was approved unanimously (16 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining; *Depay not yet present.*)

At the September 18<sup>th</sup> Appeals Subcommittee meeting, five Statute of Limitations appeals were reviewed of which two were granted and three were denied. Case 1 is tabled since a remedial course is not eligible for consideration. A motion to approve the September 18<sup>th</sup> subcommittee's recommendations as the remaining four Statute cases was approved unanimously (16 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining; *Depay not yet present.*)

CAS members were asked to sign up for Appeals Subcommittee meetings this semester.

#### IV. Old Business

*Isabel Mirsky*

- A. Permanent Dismissal: CAS will revisit BCC's policy as to permanent dismissal in cases where attaining good academic status is feasible. Members are asked to obtain departmental feedback at their respective meetings on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- B. CUNY AP Policy: During the spring semester, several departments identified course equivalents while others are still pending. Isabel Mirsky will follow up regarding the remaining equivalents.
- C. Online Course Minimum 2.0 GPA Requirement: Stephen Powers summarized the enrollment issues concerning first-semester freshmen with GPA of 0.00. CAS members are asked to obtain feedback from their respective departments as to criteria for such students to be allowed to enroll in online courses.
- D. CAS Ability to Hear Appeals of "F" Grades: Isabel Mirsky reiterated that CUNY policy does grant the Committee on Academic Standing the authority to hear student appeals of "F" grades, and discussed various examples of final course grades where all WU grades were warranted based on documentation, yet F grades appear simultaneously on the transcript. CAS will be revisiting this issue during the current semester.

#### V. New Business: None.

*Isabel Mirsky*

#### VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM. The next CAS meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 9, 2013, at 2:00 PM in South Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Campagna  
Recording Secretary