Committee on Academic Standing

MINUTES for November 13, 2013 (Approved 12/11/13)

PRESENT:
Rasheen Allen, Charmaine Aleong, Evangelia Antonakos, Grace Campagna, Ayesha Depay, Anthony Durante, Monique Fortuné, Anthony Gatto, Paula Green, David Hadaller, Sarah Hanssen, Paul Jaijairam, Swan Kim, Cheuk Lee, Duane Lewis, Stephen Powers, Angel Resto, Władysław Rocznik, Jeannette Torres. (Note: Vote tallies below vary due to late arrivals.)

The meeting commenced at 2:05 PM.

I. Introductions

Stephen Powers

Isabel Mirsky could not attend today so Stephen Powers will substitute as chairperson.

II. Approval of the Minutes of October 23, 2013

Grace Campagna

Minutes were distributed and reviewed. The Minutes were approved, 13 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstaining: Hadaller. (Depay, Gatto, Green, Lee not yet present.)

III. Subcommittee on Student Appeals

Monique Fortuné

Monique Fortuné announced that no Appeals Subcommittee meeting would be held next week, November 20th. She then distributed an informational chart summarizing 30 actions taken from October 30th through November 6th. During that time, 17 Administrative cases were reviewed of which ten were granted and seven were denied; 13 Statute of Limitations cases were reviewed of which eight were granted and five were denied. An additional 20 Administrative cases and 10 Statute of Limitations cases were tabled. An additional 16 Administrative cases and 12 Statute of Limitations cases are pending.

At the October 30th Appeals Subcommittee meeting, 12 Administrative cases were reviewed of which seven were granted and five were denied; eight Statute cases were reviewed of which five were granted and three were denied; no dismissal cases were reviewed. CAS asked that additional explanatory notes be added for Administrative case #7 and Statute case #2. A motion to approve the October 30th subcommittee’s recommendations as to the Administrative cases, as amended, was approved unanimously. A motion to approve the October 30th subcommittee’s recommendations as to the Statute cases, as amended, was approved unanimously.

At the November 6th Appeals Subcommittee meeting, five Administrative appeals were reviewed of which three were granted and two were denied; five Statute of Limitations
appeals were reviewed of which three were granted and two were denied; no dismissal cases were reviewed. A motion to approve the November 6th subcommittee’s recommendations as to the Administrative cases was approved unanimously. A motion to approve the November 6th subcommittee’s recommendations as to the Statute cases was approved unanimously.

IV. Old Business

Stephen Powers

A. Permanent Dismissal: This remains an open item. CAS is researching policies at other CUNY campuses in order to bring BCC’s policies in line with CUNY-wide practices.

B. Online Course Minimum 2.0 GPA Requirement: This standard will remain in effect for the spring 2014 semester. The BCC Office of Information Technology has been asked to address inconsistencies in the calculation of the 2.0 GPA across multiple data systems.

V. New Business

Stephen Powers

A. Student OSSES Login: Stephen Powers informed that students may have problems accessing their OSSES accounts due to stricter e-mail password security standards recently implemented by Microsoft Corporation. Since OSSES “reads” student IDs and passwords from the student e-mail system, those required changes to e-mail accounts has led OSSES logins to be invalid. BCC Office of Information Technology is working to address the problem.

B. Multiple Authentication Credentials: Stephen Powers informed that CUNY Central Office is taking steps to implement a single authentication in the near future for CUNYfirst and CUNY Portal. When that transition is completed, BCC will back-synchronize the OSSES authentication system as well.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM. The next CAS meeting will take place on Wednesday, December 11, 2013, at 2:00 PM in South Hall. Stephen Powers noted that it will be the last CAS meeting of fall 2013, and action will be taken on that date to authorize the Office of the Registrar to grant degrees to students who meet graduation requirements as of the end of current semester.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Campagna
Recording Secretary

Approved by CAS on December 11, 2013