

Committee on Academic Standing
MINUTES for April 26, 2017 (Draft rev. 5/10/17)

PRESENT:

Rasheen Allen, Nicolas Anuku, Grace Campagna, Muhammed Conta, Teresa Fisher, Kenya Harris, Paul Jajairam, Andrea Ortuño, Stephen Powers, Stacia Reader, Anita Rivers, Wladyslaw Rocznik, Suzanne Zybert. *Excused:* Sharmila Mukherjee, Octavio Melendez, Angel Resto, Sa-Rawla Stoute. *Guest:* Sanjay Ramdath.

The meeting commenced at 2:35 PM.

I. Approval of the Minutes

Grace Campagna

The draft Minutes of March 22nd were circulated and reviewed. Lacking a quorum of members present on that date, approval of those Minutes is tabled to the next meeting.

II. Student Appeals: This item is tabled to the next CAS meeting.

III. Old Business

A. Uniform Grading Memo

Stephen Powers

CUNY memo dated March 7, 2017 regarding Revised CUNY Uniform Grade Symbols, to take effect Fall 2017, was again discussed, particularly the implications of various approaches to implementing a First Year Forgiveness policy (Paragraph XII) and a Pass/No Credit option (Paragraph XII). To better define which students could be eligible for First Year Forgiveness, S. Powers will request data from the BCC Office of Institutional Research as to first-year credit enrollment levels. S. Powers will also contact the Financial Aid Office as to financial aid implications of the Grading Memo. CAS members are asked to obtain departmental feedback regarding both provisions, during their respective May 4th department meetings.

B. Selection of Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Stephen Powers

A question was raised by the current BCC Commencement Committee as to whether and how to accommodate prior waivers and substitutions of courses required for graduation in the candidates' degree programs. (Revised standards were approved by CAS on February 8, 2017.) This item is tabled for future discussion.

IV. New Business: None.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM. The next CAS meeting, and the last of the current semester, will be Wednesday, May 10th at 2 PM in the South Hall Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Campagna
Recording Secretary

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