

**Committee on Academic Standing**  
**Minutes for April 25, 2012 (DRAFT)**

PRESENT:

Evangelia Antonakos, Frank Blanchard, Cheryl Byrd, Grace Campagna, Vanessa Cofresi, Paula Green, Camilla Dacey-Groth, Helen Harrison, Mildred Hermina, Paul Jaijairam, Cherno Jallow, Mary Lou McNichol, Octavio Melendez, Isabel Mirsky, Mark Padnos, Eugene Passer, Stephen Powers, Wladyslaw Rocznik, Ajaz Sana, Karen Thomas, Charlotte Witherspoon. (*Note: Vote tallies below vary due to late arrivals.*)

The meeting commenced at 2:05 p.m.

I. Approval of the Minutes of March 28, 2012 *Grace Campagna*

Minutes were distributed and reviewed. Minutes were approved unanimously. (*Note: F. Blanchard, H. Harrison, and K. Thomas not yet present.*)

II. Appeals and Waivers *Cheryl Byrd*

Recommendations of the April 18<sup>th</sup> Subcommittee were distributed and reviewed. CAS voted unanimously to approve Administrative cases 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6. (*Note: F. Blanchard, H. Harrison, and K. Thomas not yet present.*) The Appeals Agent read aloud (omitting personal identifiers) the documentation the student had submitted in Case 5, for which the Subcommittee had recommended denying the appeal. CAS voted to change the disposition for Case 5 from Deny to Approve (13 in favor, 4 against: Green, Jaijairam, McNichol, Rocznik; 1 abstaining: Blanchard; *note: H. Harrison, K. Thomas not yet present*).

CAS voted unanimously (*note: H. Harrison, K. Thomas not yet present*) to approve the Subcommittee's recommendations for the 3 Statute of Limitations cases. CAS voted unanimously (*note: H. Harrison, K. Thomas not yet present*) to grant the Registrar permission to award degrees to students graduating in June and August, 2012

III. Old Business

A. Announcements *Isabel Mirsky*

1. A proposal to require a minimum 2.0 GPA for students to enroll in online courses passed the Senate on April 5<sup>th</sup>.
2. Non-material changes to Sections 1 and 2 of the Codification were presented to the Senate as an item of information for the first time on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

3. A proposal to allow students, as-of-right, to retake previously passed college-level math courses in order to attain college proficiency, was presented to the Senate for the first time on April 5<sup>th</sup>. It will be presented again to the Senate for action on May 1<sup>st</sup>.
4. Revision of the Withdrawal policy is tabled until the fall of 2012, pending review by the Registrar.
5. The revised Attendance Statement was presented to the Senate for the first time on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Questions were raised at the Senate meeting as to inconsistencies between the statement's language regarding COA and actual COA policy.

#### IV. New Business

The Department of Nursing and Allied Health proposed that a reference to a "standardized entrance exam" replace the current Codification reference to the PAX-RN exam as the basis for admission to the Nursing Program. CAS approves the change (19 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstaining: Thomas). So that the change may be submitted to the Senate for action in May, in time to take effect for the fall semester, CAS approved a waiver of the two-meeting rule (19 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstaining: Thomas).

#### V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m. The next meeting, scheduled for May 9<sup>th</sup> in South Hall, will be held only if student appeals are pending for CAS review.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Campagna  
Recording Secretary