

**Committee on Academic Standing**  
**MINUTES for March 8, 2017 (Draft)**

PRESENT:

Rasheen Allen, Nicolas Anuku, Grace Campagna, Teresa Fisher, Paul Jaijairam, Eugene Mananga, Octavio Melendez, Sharmila Mukherjee, Stephen Powers, Stacia Reader, Angel Resto, Wladyslaw Roczniak, Enyuan Shang (*alt., Biology*), Shirley Skelt, Sa-Rawla Stoute, Karen Thomas, James Watson, Ben Yarmolinsky (*seated alt., Art & Music*), Suzanne Zybert. *Guest:* Alexander Ott. *Note: Vote tallies vary due to late arrivals.*

The meeting commenced at 2:10 PM.

I. Approval of the Minutes *Grace Campagna*

*(Note: Minutes were approved as the last item of business.)*

The draft Minutes of November 9<sup>th</sup> were circulated and reviewed. A motion to approve the Minutes of November 9<sup>th</sup> was approved, 13 in favor, none opposed, four abstaining: Mukherjee, Roczniak, Yarmolinsky, Zybert.

The draft Minutes of February 22<sup>nd</sup> were circulated and reviewed. An edit was requested to Item I, Minutes of February 8<sup>th</sup>, to show that a grade of C or higher in BIO 11 would be required, and likewise to Item III.B. with regard to the ACM acceptance criteria. A motion to approve the Minutes of February 22<sup>nd</sup> as amended was approved, 13 in favor, none opposed, four abstaining: Anuku, Mukherjee, Watson, Yarmolinsky.

II. Student Appeals *Shirley Skelt*

Approval of the recommendations of the March 1<sup>st</sup> subcommittee is tabled to the next CAS meeting pending additional details. The next subcommittee meeting will be March 29<sup>th</sup>.

III. Old Business

A. Standards for Selection of Valedictorian and Salutatorian *Stephen Powers*

This item was presented to Senate by CAS for the first time on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Senate discussion as to the proposed interview phase indicates a possible friendly amendment to remove this element. CAS members had no objection, and thus such an amendment by Senate would not need another vote by CAS.

B. Standards for Dean's List and President's List *Stephen Powers*

The item will be presented to the next meeting of the BCC Senate.

C. Animal Care and Management (ACM) Certificate

*Rasheen Allen*

R. Allen circulated a revised proposal to amend admission criteria for the ACM program. The action would require a grade of C or higher in BIO 11 prior to enrolling in BIO 15. The most recent revision would also accept BIO 11 with a grade of C or better transferred from other institutions. A motion to accept the change in admission criteria for the ACM program, as revised, was approved unanimously. (Mukherjee not yet present.)

D. Modern Language Exemption

*Angel Resto*

This item, approved by CAS during Fall 2016, is under discussion by the Curriculum Committee, which has proposed that full-time study at a non-U.S. higher education institution where English was not the language of instruction be considered as well.

IV. New Business

S. Powers presented for discussion the case of a student petitioning for graduation with a 1.554 GPA and 77 earned credits. No action was taken today by CAS.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM. The next CAS meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2 PM in the South Hall Conference Room. Further meetings this semester will be April 26<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Campagna  
Recording Secretary

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