

## ACADEMIC POLICIES COMMITTEE

Monday, January 31, 2022  
2:30p.m. | UC Council Room

### MINUTES

**Present:** Benedict, Brewer, Couch (Heiny), Franklin (Dineen), Kraver, Matchett, Pullen (Han), Vaughan, Wood, Yu

**Absent:** Benavidez, Wieben, Zaghlawan

**Guest:** Levin

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:31pm.

#### Approval of the Agenda

Approved without objection.

#### Approval of the January 18, 2022 meeting minutes

Approved without objection.

#### Announcements

#### Chair's report

#### Reports from Councils:

Graduate Council (Brewer) – The GC is considering how to adjust dissertation credits so that students are not running out of dissertation credits toward the end of their programs; we are looking at potentially allowing students to take a range of 12-30 credits or creating some other type of credit apart from dissertation credits. We are also looking at minimum Canvas requirements for the Graduate School.

Liberal Arts Council (Wood) – No Report.

Professional Education Council (Kraver) – The cost of student teaching observation/travel might be added into student fees; it will not be popular to add a fee. The EBS Dean will be meeting with PEC to discuss options.

Undergraduate Council (Dineen) – No Report.

Student Senate (Benavidez) – No Report.

#### Unfinished Business

- **Permanent S/U Grading Policy** – *on hold*

- **Posthumous Degrees**

- Vaughan presented a new draft incorporating the elements discussed at the previous APC meeting.
  - This version removes rigid requirements and allows the decision to be made at the Provost's discretion, in consultation with the Dean of Students.
  - In particular, the requirement that a student must have been enrolled in their last semester of courses has been removed.

DISCUSSION:

- Committee members discussed the wording of (2)(b) and decided to change “adequate progress” to “reasonable progress”.

MOTION: Brewer – It is moved to approve the revisions as amended and send the policy to Codification.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

#### New Business

- **Vice-chair election**

- Lauryn Benedict was nominated and approved by acclamation.

#### Comments to the Good of the Order

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55pm.

Angela Vaughan  
Chair

Betsy Kienitz  
Recording Secretary