

ACADEMIC POLICIES COMMITTEE

Monday, November 22, 2021

2:30p.m. | UC Council Room

MINUTES

Present: Benedict, Brewer, Franklin (Dineen), Kraver, Matchett, Pullen, Schaberl (Lightfoot), Vaughan, Wieben, Wood, Yu, Zaghlawan

Absent: Benavidez, Couch

Guest: Levin

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:30pm.

Approval of the Agenda

Approved without objection.

Approval of the November 8, 2021 meeting minutes

Approved without objection.

Announcements

Chair's report – No Report.

Reports from Councils:

Graduate Council (Brewer) – No Report.

Liberal Arts Council (Wood) – We reviewed five course proposals and four policy exemption requests at our meeting last week. LAC's final meeting of the term is 12/7.

Professional Education Council (Kraver) – Thanks for helping to address the student teaching supervision mileage policy.

Undergraduate Council (Dineen) – We are continuing discussion about minimum expectations for Canvas use for faculty canvas.

DISCUSSION:

- Regarding expectations for Canvas use, Benedict asked UGC to consider differences between scheduled and non-scheduled courses.
- Matchett announced Corrine Wieben as the new Schulze Chair.
- Kraver brought an issue from PEC for UGC's consideration: short-term loans for students. Having a short-term loan option would be helpful for students who, for example, need funds to cover the cost of standardized exams.
 - Dineen will bring the issue to UGC.

Student Senate (Benavidez) – No Report.

Unfinished Business

• **Permanent S/U Grading Policy**

- Dineen reported that the UGC sub-committee has examined policies from other institutions and is considering recommendations/feedback from UGC, the Registrar's Office, and Financial Aid.

- They may have a policy proposal to bring forward next February or March.

• **Leave of Absence**

- The committee reviewed LOA policy recommendations from Codification.
- Codification edited policy language for clarity and added an Administrative Actions section broken out from the Student Instructions section.
- The Important Notes section contains some elements that may be duplicated elsewhere in the policy, but committee members agree it will be helpful to students to retain those details in the policy.
- Clarification is needed around this sentence: During a LOA, a student may not have access to university resources intended for enrolled students.
 - What resources: email, library, recreation center, etc.?
 - Does this differ from the Continuous Registration policy (which has a fee)?

MOTION: Pullen – It is moved to accept the revisions as presented and keep the Important Notes section.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- Some follow up is needed before moving forward to Senate:
 - Dineen will follow up regarding University Libraries access.
 - Check with the Graduate School about the “university resources intended for enrolled students” section.
 - Check with the Graduate School about what happens when a student takes a LOA but is not reinstated/does not return.

• **Posthumous Degrees** – *on hold*

New Business

Comments to the Good of the Order

- Happy Thanksgiving!

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:59pm.

Angela Vaughan
Chair

Betsy Kienitz
Recording Secretary