

a. APC_20_21_2 Pass/Fail_Fall2020

The resolution from APC called for extending the Pass/Fail (P/F) policy used in the Spring 2020 semester through Fall 2020. This would allow students a P/F option for any class for which they request it, and allow a student to receive a “P” for any grade of “D” or above. The rationale for extending this policy is that public health emergency conditions still exist, as do student problems with access to technology for distance learning. In addition, communication failures at the beginning of the semester led students to believe they would have in-person classes when, in fact, they do not.

A question was raised about whether other schools are doing this. APC member, Senator Whittinghill, reported that a significant number are. Most discussion then focused on whether “D” or “C” should be required for the “P” grade. Some senators suggested that we could simply extend the deadline for selection on the existing P/F policy in the catalogue. This calls for a Pass to equal a grade of “C” or better.

After extensive discussion, the resolution was tabled and APC was directed to revisit it after consulting with the Student Government Association (SGA).

6. Curriculum Committee report [15 minute time limit]

Committee chair, Senator Wang, reported that director of Institutional Effectiveness, Lauren Graves, attended the last committee meeting to give an update on the Council on Post-secondary Education (CPE) process for approval of new programs. Result of this discussion was that, in the future, whenever the Facul

8. Budget and Academic Support Committee report [15 minute time limit]

a. Remote Learning Technology Needs Assessment

Committee chair, Senator Novelo, reported that committee member, Senator Ballard-Kang is working on a survey for student technology needs. A template of this survey will go out to faculty to be used in our classes. Dr. Schneller in Academic Affairs urged faculty to get information about student needs in as early as possible as acquiring laptops or hot spots for students will require time and money.

b. Incomplete grade policy

BASC member, Senator Kashan, presented an action item on student access to materials needed

Senators Absent: Herman Walston, Jonathon Sharp, Keith McCutcheon, Gavin Washington,

Guests:

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Tierra Taylor

Beverly Schneller

Keturah Nix, PhD

Debbra Tate

Kim Sipes

Dr. Patricia Higgins

Lauren Graves

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Mara Merlino

Wilfred Reilly

Margery Coulson-Clark