Academic Policies Committee Minutes
2011 April 18, 1:30–3:00 p.m.
Ocean Avenue Campus, Arts 308

Members Present Deanna Abma, Frederick Chavaria, Monika Liu, Susana Mayorga, Madeline Mueller, Susmita Sengupta, Frederick Teti, Elizabeth Weinberg
Members Absent Beth Freedman, MaryLou Leyba, Renato Larin, Lauren Muller, Alice Murillo
Guest Present Tom Boegel, Wil Wu

Approval of Records: We approved the 2011 March 21 minutes.

Discussion and Action items

1. **Retroactive Degree and Certificates**
   We discussed whether the College should have a policy determining whether to honor student petitions for degrees or certificates many years after the courses were taken. (This would not be an issue if the degrees/certificates had recency requirements; departments have been asked to consider including recency requirements these from now on.) Other issues are availability of records from long ago, workload burden in A&R, and what to do if the certificate is no longer offered. Madeline will continue to discuss the issue with the DCC workgroup. They may recommend that the College issue degrees that are retroactively dated (e.g., issued in 2012 but dated 1975).

2. **Area G Waiver for high-unit non-CTE majors**
   Health Chair Tim Berthold asked the Committee to remember that health education is a social justice issue for many reasons (e.g., legislative inequities in health care, patients’ rights). He asked also that we deliberate carefully when deciding which majors are “high-unit”. He and Madeline will continue to discuss the Area G waiver at the DCC.

3. **WASC requirement on new federal guidelines for college units**
   Tom Boegel disbursed draft language for a new CCSF policy explicitly capturing that we are compliant with Title 5 and hence with the new federal guidelines. He took suggestions for edits. He will return next month with a new draft for our approval.

4. **FW Grade**
   Ellen Wall will convene the Grading Policies subcommittee to develop recommendations on an FW grading option.

5. **Post-Grade-Only Policy**
   There have been no new developments. The Committee is waiting to hear the results from the State Academic Senate Plenary session before proceeding. (The proposal is: When students re-take a course for which they already have a satisfactory grade, CCSF will count the most recently earned grade in the students’ GPAs, provided that doing so is Title 5-compliant.)