

**University of Washington
Faculty Council on Academic Standards**

January 11, 2019
1:30pm – 3:00pm
Gerberding 142

Meeting Synopsis

1. Call to order
2. Review minutes from December 14, 2018
3. Chair's report
4. Discussion and vote on Class B Legislation (CR / NC grade cutoff)
5. Vote on Class C resolution language (medical excuse notes)
6. Discussion and vote on draft of FCAS AoK policy
7. Good of the order
8. Adjourn

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Review minutes from December 14, 2018

The minutes from December 14, 2018 were approved as written.

3. Chair's report

Stroup, the chair, reported that she attended the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) held on January 7, 2019. The Faculty Council attendance policy, which is Class A legislation, will be presented at the next Faculty Senate meeting on January 24, 2019. Assuming it passes, the attendance policy will be effective at the end of January. The chair also presented the council's proposed Class B legislation regarding academic probation. This legislation passed the SEC without amendments and will be presented at the next Faculty Senate meeting. The chair is unable to attend the next Faculty Senate meeting and asked if a faculty member from the council would attend to present the Class B legislation. Phil Brock volunteered to present the legislation. Helen Garrett, University Registrar, will also attend to provide additional support.

The chair notified the council that the administration placed a pause on the DtX proposal for the College of Arts and Sciences. Because of this, Physics is likely to propose to become competitive. Members discussed the difference between and potential issues associated with competitive admission and capacity constraints. The chair also noted that Math is experiencing a capacity issue. They are exploring alternative options, and so FCAS may be asked to review more online options and distance learning.

The chair commented that the UW Curriculum Committee is seeing significantly more issues with syllabi (required medical notes, unreasonable expectations around emergencies, participation without

justification, etc.). Because of this, the UW Curriculum committee will now send syllabi back to the college for revisions, rather than send back to the department.

The chair forwarded the overlapping course issue with P.Bio to the Senate Committee on Planning and Budgeting (SCPB).

Finally, the chair noted FCAS accomplishments thus far: 1503 template for substantial program changes, syllabus best practices (w/ updated medical note language), holistic review of enrollment management, Class B legislation on academic probation.

4. Discussion and vote on Class B Legislation (CR / NC grade cutoff)

The chair drafted a background and rationale statement for the Class B (Exhibit 1). The council made minor edits and then voted to forward it to the SEC.

5. Vote on Class C resolution language (medical excuse notes)

The chair drafted a Class C resolution (Exhibit 2). The council reviewed the draft and then voted to forward it to the SEC.

6. Discussion and vote on draft of FCAS AoK policy

The chair presented draft language for an FCAS Areas of Knowledge (AoK) policy (Exhibit 3). The council made edits to the document and then voted to approve the document. The Council Analyst will add the policy to the FCAS website.

7. Good of the order

The chair presented a course dispute between Electrical Engineering (EE) and Math. This course dispute is similar to the P.Bio overlap issue; however, the council felt the issues associated with EE and Math could more easily be resolved if capacity was increased in the existing Math course.

8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Minutes by Lauren Hatchett, lehatch@uw.edu, council analyst

Present: **Faculty:** Sarah Stroup (Arts & Sciences) (chair), D. Shores (Business), John Sahr (Engineering), Phil Brock (Arts & Sciences), Dan Ratner (Engineering), Ann Huppert (Built Environments), Radhika Govindrajan (Arts & Sciences), Joel Thornton (Environment)
Ex-officio reps: Meera Roy, Angelia Miranda, Jennifer Payne, Conor Casey, Dan Feetham
Guests: Michaelann Jundt, Robert Corbett, Helen Garrett, Emily Leggio

Absent: **Faculty:** Lynn Dietrich (Education), Champak Chatterjee (Arts & Sciences), Zhi Lin (Arts & Sciences), Mike Lockwood (Naval ROTC)

President's designee: Philip Ballinger
Ex-officio reps: Melissa Saiz-Matheny

Exhibits

Exhibit 1 – CR ND Legislation Language – Final.docx

Exhibit 2 – Class C Medical Notes – Final.docx

Exhibit 3 – AoK Policy.docx