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Attendees:

Josh Almond (Chair)  James Patrone (Sec.)  Mattea Garcia  Gloria Cook
Laura Pfister  Mario D’Amato  Emily Russell  Robin Mateo
Jamey Ray  Nancy Niles  Nick Houndonougbo  Dan Chong
Andrew Phillips  Jonathan Harwell  Stephen Booker  Tiffany Griffin
Maribeth Huebner  Mae Fitchett  Janette Smith

Agenda/Discussion

1. Approve minutes from the October 24, 2017 meetings
   a. Motion to approve minutes from 10/24/2017 meetings
   b. DECISION: APPROVED (9-0-0)
2. Sub-committee announcements and/or reports
   a. New Course Committee (G. Cook)
      i. Had a flood of proposals, but now that schedule is up, everything is good
      ii. Discussing modifying the new course proposal form
   b. Academic Appeals Committee (M. Garcia)
      1. Nothing to report
   c. International Committee (N. Houndonougbo)
      i. Meeting today
      ii. Discussion and finalization of merging international programs and grant’s international initiative
      iii. Will go directly to EC as it is not in purview of CC
   d. EC report (J. Almond)
      i. Approved SE divisional realignment
      ii. Approved faculty compensation philosophy
      iii. Tabled education minor proposal
3. New business
   a. Changes to the Academic Probation catalog language.
      i. Removed the forced FERPA requirement
      ii. Removed the language of contract to General Requirements of Probation
         1. Also change the name of the form from contract
      iii. Motion to approve changes with correction of typo.
         iv. DECISION: APPROVED (9-0-0)
   b. RFLA: Reconsideration of the C- Requirement (Emily Russell).
      i. Every rFLA class has a C- minimum to matriculate forward or otherwise the students go into the extra special awesome class to have a 2nd chance to succeed course
      ii. According to catalog a D- is a passing grade
iii. Having a C- can lead to grade inflation
iv. Lifting the requirement could lead to a wider and more reflective grade distribution
v. Still have overall GPA requirement
vi. Will removing the C- requirement send wrong message to students and result in a lowering of expectations and effort?
vii. Can we add a gen ed gpa requirement?
viii. We are setting two different bars for overall GPA vs gen ed GPA
ix. Tentative Proposal: Remove C- from rFLA course requirement and institute a rFLA cumulative 2.0 GPA rFLA requirement. – Almond-Chong-Patrone Referendum

4. Old Business (none)
5. Announcements (none)
6. Adjourn
   a. Motion to adjourn