

Academic Policy Committee Meeting
February 10, 2022
AB-213A

Present: Dr. Kevin Cain, Dr. Shelly Ratliff, Chris Cosner, Dr. Amanda Chapman, Dr. Kevin Evans, Dr. Tim Konhaus, Dr. Gary Morris, Dr. Ken Lang, Dr. Nabil Nasser, Ann Reed, Breanna Morgan, John Chambers, Rita Hedrick-Helmick

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from January 27, 2022

- Chris Cosner motioned to accept the minutes, Breanna Morgan second.
Minutes approved.

Old Business

Administrative Withdrawal & Attendance:

- The committee went around the room and discussed what each departments thoughts were on changing the Administrative Withdrawal & Attendance policy and then took a vote.
- Dr. Konhaus motioned to maintain present Administrative Withdrawal & Attendance policy and Breanna Morgan second. Motion carried.

Classroom Safety:

- Rita Hedrick-Helmick spoke to the committee about the legality of mandating masks beyond GSC policy, gave facts on where other states are on mask mandates and information about the pandemic being considered an epidemic now. She also suggested that any faculty who felt concerned about getting sick if GSC dropped classroom mask mandates could potentially have plexiglass installed for additional protection from colds and viruses. There is no legal protection for faculty, per Rita.

- Dr. Konhaus asked who would be responsible for paying for plexiglass and putting it up. Dr. Morris suggested that the college would pay for and have it installed.
- Chris Cosner asked if a student comes into the classroom and is showing symptoms of being sick if faculty could ask them to see the nurse before returning to class. Dr. Morris said that would be fine.
- Dr. Chapman suggested that there was nothing further for the committee to discuss on the topic.

Dr. Chapman adjourned the meeting at 1:30 pm.

Leisa Dean

February 21, 2022