

## **Student Affairs Committee**

Minutes May 5, 2022 8:30-10:00 a.m. Microsoft Teams

Present:

Kenneth Allen (CNHS), Evan Eyler (FS VP), Terry Delaney (CALS), Karla Karstens (CEMS),

Akshay Mutha (GSB), Jennifer Prue (CESS), Sarah Twitchell (LCOM), Evan Siegel (SGA),

Kris Stepenuck (RSENR), Devika Singh (LCOM), Scott Van Keuren (CAS)

Absent:

Thomas Borchert (Faculty Senate President), Matthew Carlson (CAS), Denise Hersey

(LIB), Vacant (GSS)

**Guests:** 

Jay Jacobs

Co-Chair Jennifer Prue called the meeting to order at 8:30 am via Microsoft Teams.

- 1. Minutes. The April SAC minutes will be added to the September agenda for approval.
- **2. Test Optional Policy.** Jay presented the SAC with the memo that was sent to President Garimella on April 20, 2022. The Test-optional Admissions Pilot Extension Proposal can be obtained by e-mailing the Faculty Senate Office at <a href="mailto:face-newww.edu">face-newww.edu</a>.

The SAC discussed the policy and Kenneth moved to adopt the proposal as presented, Terry seconded the motion.

Approve: 9

Oppose: 1

Abstain: 0

The proposal was approved and will be sent to the Faculty Senate for vote at the May 19, 2022, Faculty Senate meeting.

The SAC would like Jay to be a guest next year at a fall and spring meeting to update the SAC on what is happening in the Enrollment Office.

- 3. Expanded Course Description. Evan Siegel presented the committee with the Spring 2022 SGA Repot of the Academic Affairs. For the report presented please email the Faculty Senate Office at <a href="mailto:Facsen@uvm.edu">Facsen@uvm.edu</a>. Evan will work with the SGA to get a copy of the report that has all the colleges to be distributed to the SAC by the Faculty Senate Office.
- 4. Out of Class Expectations. The SAC would support policy to clarify what types if out of class expectations are appropriate and address how the equity issues might be managed, for example, allowing multiple options to fulfil an out of class objective. It is also important that the out of class objective be divulged in course syllabus an expanded course description. Adjustments to the Students' Rights and responsibilities policy and maybe even the Code of Student Conduct Policy, could address some of these issues.

The SAC will continue to work on this issue during the 2022 / 2023 year. Scott will continue to work on this topic as Ken will be leaving the committee.

- 5. Topics for 2022 / 2023.
  - A. Overview of the Students Rights and Responsibility Policy.
  - **B.** SAC members attending SGA public forum.
  - **C.** Black Lives Matter Flag follow up.
  - **D.** Student response rate to electronic teaching evaluations.

The SAC was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next meeting of the SAC will be on September 1, 2022, at 8:30am on Microsoft Teams.