BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

City University of New York

Minutes of the Academic Standing Committee of the Academic Senate

Meeting of October 2, 2019

Members Present:

D. Acocella, J. Blake, C. Christopher, A. Creaco, K. Dreyer, G. Miller, C. Priano, D. Torres-Rangel, C. Wiseman

- The meeting was convened by Glenn Miller, Chair, at 2:00 p.m. in room N-795.
- Minutes from 9-4-2019 were unanimously approved.
- The Chair, Glenn Miller, reported on the following after meeting with VP for Enrollment Management, Diane Walleser:
 - The VP was in agreement with the Chair that the implementation of an online appeals process needs to have high priority so that data can be collected and analyzed as to which students appeal, why they appeal, and what the outcomes are for these students. IT is working on a computerized form. Cynthia Wiseman proposed that a formal request be made to administration that members of this committee be actively involved with IT to facilitate implementing the online process and address issues that might arise with the electronic form. The Chair will make this request and report back.
 - The Chair initiated a discussion of whether the term "academic probation" should be changed or whether it is appropriate as is. Whereas some members had alternative suggestions, most members who spoke disagreed with changing the term. This discussion is ongoing.
 - The VP reported that interventions for new students who are struggling are still being designed. This committee has previously rejected the idea of not determining the academic progress of students with less than 12 credits until and unless such interventions are in place.
 - The Chair suggested that new policies should perhaps be considered for financial aid appeals such that administration reads and decides on these appeals, but that setting policies for deciding these appeals be charged to this committee. This structure would enable this committee to focus solely on appeals that concern issues of academic standing. The Chair will discuss this possibility with the Financial Aid director. A change in this policy would require a revision in the governance plan.
- Committee members read and acted on student appeals.
- The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Priano Secretary