
**ACADEMIC POLICY COUNCIL
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2009**



Absent: Brown (Karen Smith attended), Cook, Cooper, de Castro (Kandi Tayebi attended), Payne

1. Approval of APC minutes of May 6, 2009. The minutes were approved as presented.
2. Council of Academic Deans Minutes of April 22, May 13, and May 27, 2009. The minutes were reviewed.
3. Update on Review of Academic Policy Statements.
 - a. APS 950809—Conflict of Interest Policy Pertaining to Sponsored Projects. The review of the policy is in progress.
 - b. APS 980204—Performance Evaluation of Tenured Faculty. The review of the policy is in progress.
4. Revisions to APS 900417, Faculty Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion. Dr. Eglsaer presented a proposed revision to Section 5.03 of the referenced policy. The motion was made and seconded to accept the revision. Passed unanimously.
5. Revision to APS 790601, Faculty Instructional Workload. Dean Hebert proposed a change to Section 4.01.d of the referenced policy. The motion was made and seconded to accept the revision. Passed unanimously.
6. Revision to APS 801014, Graduate Faculty Status. Dr. Muehsam presented a revision to the referenced policy on behalf of the Graduate Council. An additional revision was made to Section 4.0. The motion was made and seconded to accept the revised policy as amended. Passed unanimously.
7. Revision to APS 950601, Members Not Employed by SHSU Serving on Dissertation Committees. On behalf of the Graduate Council, Dr. Muehsam proposed revisions to the referenced policy. Additional changes were recommended to Sections 301.a and 3.01.c. The motion was made and seconded to accept the revised policy as amended. Passed unanimously.
8. APS 910312, Academic Probation, Suspension, and Termination. Dr. Muehsam proposed a revision to the referenced policy on behalf of the Graduate Council. An additional revision was proposed to Section 4.05. The motion was made and seconded to accept the revised policy as amended. Passed unanimously.
9. Recommendation from the Graduate Council. On behalf of the Graduate Council, Dr. Muehsam made the following recommendation which was approved by the Council of Academic Deans on June 10, 2009:

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The grade options for thesis/dissertation courses be changed from letter grades (i.e., A, B, C, F) to credit/no credit (CR, NC). With respect to termination, a grade of NC will be treated in the same fashion as a grade of C. The faculty will still have the option of indicating incomplete (X) or in-progress (IP).

Dorothy Roberson
Recorder