**Academic Affairs Committee**

**Agenda Meeting No.8**

**Wednesday, December 8th, 2021**

**6:00 P.M.**

Founder’s Room, Bone Student Center

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| **Senator Lahiri** | **Absent** |
| **Senator Cline** | **Present** |
| **Senator Novotny** | **Absent** |
| **Senator Nichols** | **Present** |
| **Senator Torry** | **Absent** |
| **Senator Otto** | **Present** |
| **Senator Villalobos** | **Absent** |
| **Senator Spranger** | **Present** |
| **Senator McNab** | **Absent** |
| **Senator Small** | **Present** |
| **Senator Monk** | **Present** |
| **Ex-Officio Hurd** | **Present** |
| **Guest: Jess Ray, University Registrar** | **Present** |

**Meeting called to order: 6:02 PM**

**Minutes from November 17th**

-No changes

-Motion from Senator Spranger

-Seconded by Senator Small

-Motion Carried, Minutes Approved

**Public Comment: N/A**

**Order of Business**

1.Updates

-Policy 7.7.2 will be on Academic Senates as an action item again, must be reviewed by legal

-2 AVP searches begin at start next semester, AA committee must agree if student membership will be on search committee

-Administrative Affairs, no student membership

-Student Success, two undergraduates and one graduate student to be on the search committee

2.Code of Student Conduct cases

1. No questions

3.Policy 2.1.12 Pass/No-Pass – Credit/No Credit

1. Jess Ray, Office of the University Registrar
   1. Should students be able to change their decision at the end of semester or at any other point?
      1. P/NP to encourage students to take classes of interest without impacting GPA
      2. Deadline ensures student is to have consequences for their GPA
      3. Traditionally, students can petition to accept grade or switch to P/NP after deadline
         1. Often allowed to accept grade post-deadline, not as often to switch to P/NP
   2. Is there some reason for the deadline being the first ten days?
      1. No specific reason from digital records perspective, has always been after the first ten days, but could affect records if deadline is too late
      2. Might be an option for self-service depending on date if deadline for P/NP is same for withdrawal date
   3. Two ends of spectrum in AAC
      1. If too easy, could encourage lack of responsibility
      2. Being able to switch to/from P/NP later in semester is advantageous for students
   4. After grades are posted is the worst time to allow switching to P/NP
   5. How students approach P/NP
      1. Students often utilize switching P/NP in event of poor grade
      2. Students also must consider how external communities, such as other universities, value P/NP for classes
      3. Increase in rate of students utilizing P/NP during covid pandemic
   6. What could occur if the deadline for P/NP is extended
      1. P/NP could prevent students from withdrawing from a course to protect their GPA
   7. Senator Otto offers mid-term grades as potential deadline for P/NP
      1. University of Registrar does not work with Academic Progress Reports
      2. Occurs around 12th week, allows students to make withdrawal decisions
   8. Are individual courses designated as graded?
      1. Group 1 General Education Courses cannot be taken P/NP
         1. Exception for Dual Enrollment Courses that come in P/NP
      2. Potential changes in General Education Program could be for language of P/NP
   9. Potential Extension to Deadline
      1. Deadline can be any date before grades are posted
      2. General agreement at 12 weeks (about 3 months) to allow students to remove/add P/NP status
      3. Can extract language from withdrawal policy
   10. Can there be a limit to the number of times students can change P/NP status?
       1. Process will be extensive enough to discourage students from toggling back and forth

**Adjourned at 6:52**