AUC Academic Policies Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

11/13/23, 3:30 p.m.

Remote

PRESENT:

Patricia Arend, Lynn D'Agostino, Jane Huang, Christa Marr, Jessica Oehrlein, Sherry Packard, Lindsay Parisi, Samuel Tobin, Daniel Welsh, Mary Beth McKenzie, Pam McCafferty, Keegan Barrows, Christian Dedier, Soumitra Basu, Karina Bautista, Aisling O'Connor, Elliot Olynciw-Olkuski, Amy Kendrick, Daneen Deptula, Beverly Hollingsworth, Matthew Messina

ABSENT: Nadimpalli Mahadev, Schekina Pericles

GUESTS: Franca Barricelli, Catherine Buell, Barbara Cormier, Deresa Webb

Meeting convened at 3:30 p.m.

Motion to Approve the Minutes: Jessica Oehrlein

Second: Christian Dedier

Discussion: NA

Vote: Minutes approved 15/0/5

Motion to Approve AUC #1: Christa Marr

Second: Sherry Packard

Franca Barricelli spoke to the proposal

Discussion: Question raised regarding why the residence halls are closed on the last day of finals since this can be problematic for students. There is a mechanism for students involved in post-finals activities to apply to stay longer but not sure why overall students have to move out on the last day of finals. Similar concern over impact to international students. Historically, this has been the policy – implications include staffing, meal plan contract, behavioral. Barricelli noted will incorporate exploring the understanding/implications as part of overall process of documentation of process for building schedule.

Friendly Amendment(s):

Vote: Approved 16/0/0

Motion to Approve AUC #2: Patricia Arend

Seconded

Catherine Buell spoke to the proposal

Discussion: Question raised as to whether there were other issues/concerns. Confirmed no – focus is on alignment with Commonwealth Honors and consistent with all other State University campuses in MA. Inquiry also as to history at the higher standard – potentially due to alignment with academic honors standards. Further clarify opportunities to rectify/recover from performance below standard – noted this each situation is also reviewed based on circumstances.

Friendly Amendment(s):

Vote: Approved 20/0/0

Motion to Adjourn: Jane Huang

Second: Christa Marr

Meeting concluded at 4:00 pm