

MINUTES
COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES
FEBRUARY 26TH, 2024
3:00 PM
VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: D. Zahm (presiding); K. Goynes; R. Holloway; S. Huxtable; M. Kimbrell; N. Nassan; V. Nguyen; M. Norris; G. Novack; S. Over; M. Pleimling; K. Redican; M. Seref; S. Shupe; N. Staley; K. Swaby; D. Thorp; J. Tokuhisa; K. Tran; J. Walker; A. Zink-Sharp

ABSENT: K. Albright; K. Edgar; C. Ruktanonchai; S. Sumner; K. Thompson

GUESTS: E. Anderson; A. Myers; R. Pitcher; N. Smith; R. Sparks; Z. Tucker; K. Wells

D. Zahm called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM. A quorum was present.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF OR ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPROVAL AND POSTING OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12TH, 2024

D. Zahm noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>).

NO NEW BUSINESS

ACCEPTANCE AND POSTING OF COMMISSION/COMMITTEES/SUB -COMMITTEES REPORTS AND/OR MINUTES

Academic Support Committee

No report.

Academic Policies Committee

M. Pleimling sent the Policy 6305 (Policy 91) draft to the suggested groups at the university and comments have been received.

D. Zahm reiterated that the draft will be provided to the Faculty Senate.

Athletics Committee

No report.

Commencement Committee

No report.

Honor Council

No report.

Library Committee

No report.

University Curriculum Committee for General Education

No report.

Administrative and Professional Faculty Senate

No report.

Staff Senate

No report.

Faculty Senate

No report.

Undergraduate Student Senate

No report.

Graduate and Professional Student Senate

No report.

OTHER BUSINESS:

R. Sparks presented that Virginia Tech requires 25% of a student's degree be completed at the University to qualify for a Virginia Tech degree, but students are only eligible for distinctions if 50% of their degree is completed at Virginia Tech. 10 to 15 students are ruled ineligible for distinctions a year. R. Sparks recommended changing the 50% for distinctions to 25% to align both policies.

R. Holloway noted that the policy is not friendly to transfer students.

D. Zahm asked to add this topic to a future CUSP meeting agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:13 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Zach Tucker and Rachel Pitcher, Office of the University Registrar*