

CSCC
Minutes of November 13, 2013

Attendance: Carol Wells, Michell Lin, Edianys Lima, Ryan Boyne, Nadya Pancsofar, Ed Conjura, Kevin Kim, Janice Vermeychuk, Magda Manetas, Nick Toloudis, Susan Ryan

Excused: Jody Eberly, Jim Spencer

Guest: Angela Lauer Chong

1. **Minutes** – Minutes from October 23, 2013 were approved.

2. **Update from Steering**

- ❖ Nadya Pancsofar updated the group on the meeting with Steering on 11/6/13. A meeting on November 20th has been scheduled with Carol Wells, Barbara Strassman, Provost Taylor, Magda Manetas, and David Prensky to discuss ways to move forward with the Undergraduate Certificate Charge. Carol also updated the group about a recent meeting with Mike Marino in which Mike indicated that CAP is moving forward to ask Steering to break the charge into two separate charges (academic and non-academic).

3. **Protection of Children Policy**

- ❖ Carol updated the group on information she received from Tom Mahoney in response to committee questions. Angela Lauer Chong provided additional input.
- ❖ The following recommendations will be made to Steering by CSCC regarding this policy:
 - According to the state website, Child Protection and Permanency, CP&P (formerly the Division of Youth and Family Services, DYFS), is New Jersey's child protection and child welfare agency within the Department of Children and Families. The policy will be changed to reflect the agency name change.
 - The committee recommends that this policy be reviewed every 2 years. Magda advised the group it is the responsibility of Tom Mahoney to make sure the policy is updated according to state law.
 - In response to the mandated policy regulations, it is CSCC's concern that the community will not be aware of the policy outside of the policy vault that is located on the TCNJ website. Magda suggested that she would follow up with Dave Muha about campus communication around this policy. Carol suggested that the LCD displays on campus be utilized to display the CP&P posters that are already hanging in the campus restrooms.
 - The committee has discussed the dual reporting requirement of CP&P and Campus Police and along with public testimony concurs that the mandated dual requirement is unnecessary and confusing. The committee recognizes the intent of this language and further recommends that new language replace this dual requirement and that the language express, "In the event of a emergent situation of child abuse on campus, it is required that 911 or Campus Police be notified immediately." This language should also note that the state mandate of notifying CP&P is still a requirement and is not replaced by the notification of 911 or Campus Police.
 - The committee recommends that the name of the policy be changed to "Mandatory Child Abuse Reporting Policy" since Protection of Children Policy is too broad and the contents of the policy may be overlooked. CSCC recognizes that other policies that reflect the "protection of children" on campus should be written. CSCC suggest that one of these policies include notifying Campus Police when groups of children are invited on campus since Campus Police has the listing of sexual offenders visiting campus or attending classes on campus.

4. **Alcohol Policy** –

- ❖ Angela Lauer Chong updated the group on changes made to the Alcohol Policy. Most changes/additions were directly taken from the Student Conduct Code or included references to the Student Conduct Code. Changes regarding College sanctions to individual students and student groups were also made to more accurately reflect current practice.
- ❖ The committee recommended that a definition be added to the policy to define "The Code." And editorial change was also recommended.

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- ❖ Angela will make the additional changes to the document and send it to Carol. Carol will send the policy out to committee members not present and request feedback.
- ❖ The policy will go to open fora in December or at the start of the January 2014 semester. It was discussed that testimony could be received on this document through Qualtrics rather than scheduled meetings for open fora.

6. Student Conduct Code

- ❖ Our new charge from Steering was discussed. Angela will send us any changes made to the existing policy in the coming weeks.
- ❖ Angela discussed with the committee some areas in which changes may be made to the policy. These areas may include:
 - Definition of a student, for example, to clarify when “student” status begins.
 - Procedures for Title 9 violations.
- ❖ Janice recommended and the committee agreed that the title of the policy be revised to reflect that this is a policy for Undergraduate Student Conduct Code.

7. Student Rights and Freedoms Policy

- ❖ CSCC recommendations on this policy will be going to Steering at the end of the month.