Academic Affairs Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: T. Tsantsoulas, T. Holiwell, A. Hays, M. Ramirez, E. Montoya, Q. Sheng, J. Kim, E. Adams, J. Ren, A. Poushneh

Agenda

1. Welcome

2. Approval of Minutes

- E. Montoya motioned, A. Hays seconded, all in favor.
- a. 090425 Minutes: https://csub.box.com/s/rpplqm9yuy9qtaavkah7p2xhklox84vk
 - T. Tsantsoulas reviewed the process for Academic Senate.

3. Old Business

a. 2025-2026 REFERRAL #02: Academic Degree Policies • https://csub.box.com/s/mlflqrjfv8ug2p13r6rcyy15rpaynpys

Questions for this referral:

- What does it mean by requirements. Tiffany brought up the sticky point that if the Dean
 approved a second double major, would that trump, or not be allowed based upon the
 rule that both majors must be completed simultaneously. We discussed taking the
 statement out that says students cannot add a second major after they have finished
 their first requirements. It puts the power with the AD or college designee of new
 major.
- Also questioned was who would make a plan? The discussion was that it would likely be the advisor, or if all goes well, an online plan.
 We discussed striking the double-counting of courses being possible from one major.
- Tiffany will copy and paste revised version into the resolution.

Rationale approved by folks.

 Minor policy changes: We agreed to change the language to allow lower division courses to double-count towards a minor with the understanding that they will take the upper division courses.

4. New Business

- a. 2025-2026 REFERRAL #06: Proposal to Elevate the Concentration of CIS to a Degree Program https://csub.box.com/s/7hsq3vxjq7wum0i7o2pz0wa2bzj4uphg
 - We discussed where the CIS major comes from. You can take many different paths to get this degree.

- We want them to acknowledge explicitly in the catalog that there is a restriction on the ability to complete both degree programs. 36 units have to be unduplicated. It is possible for a CS major to take a CIS major.
- Be more explicit that students you cannot double-major in this class. (This would be in catalog copy.)
- Eddie brought up something on the road map on pg. 18- You would need to adjust the units because they will be put over the maximum unit amount.
- The pathways aren't fully aligned with what it is that they need to be taking, or with each other. More clarification needs to be added here.
 - b. 2025-2026 REFERRAL #07: Proposal to Rename the Computer Science Information Security Concentration https://csub.box.com/s/sa1trporbm86rlb31jfiernkbplpnfql
 - c. 2025-2026 REFERRAL #08: Proposal to Change the MS in Computer Science from Self-support to Stateside Support https://csub.box.com/s/87kl7lnhqpua23drhqhvprqtvpat65d3
 - d. 2025-2026 REFERRAL #09: Proposal for New Minor in Applied Mathematics https://csub.box.com/s/xi8h49j00wc24kp0tcan6j8f1bfrwo9u
 - e. 2025-2026 REFERRAL #03: Academic Policies and Academic Advising in Student Affairs and Strategic Enrollment Management https://csub.box.com/s/gwv1e5p15otyrwagxkdo2gyx92y7tqu4

5. Open Forum

Elizabeth asked to look at the applied mathematics next. Please take a look at number 9, and pay particular attention to road maps.

Next time, we may have commentary on resolutions and we'll deal with that first. Then we'll go to new minor.