

Academic Policy Committee

Minutes

August 27, 2026

Present: Mari Clements, Charles Yakubow, Scott Beatty, Larry Baker, Sarah Nale, Wesley Kephart, Brian Perkins, Amanda Chapman, Rajan Adhikari, Greg Lieving, Rory Taylor-Young

Absent: Aleta Rader

Guest: Ann Reed

Approval of Minutes:

- Larry motioned to approve the minutes from the April, 16, 2026 meeting, Greg seconded. Charles, Rory, Rajan, and Scott abstained. Motion passed.

Old Business

- None

New Business

Review of Bylaws

- The committee reviewed bylaws for accuracy and made small adjustments to the language
- Wesley motioned to approve as amended, Larry seconded. Amanda will update bylaws to go to Faculty Senate. Motion passed

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

- Wesley was nominated for Chair of the Committee
- Larry motioned to close voting for Chair of the Committee, Greg seconded. Wesley was appointed Chair of the Committee by acclamation
- Amanda was nominated for Vice Chair of the Committee
- Larry motioned to close voting for Vice Chair of the Committee, Greg seconded. Amanda was appointed Vice Chair of the Committee by acclamation

Academic Appeals Policies and Bylaws

- The Academic Integrity policy was revised last year, which resulted in changes to Academic Appeal policies and the Academic Appeal Committee bylaws
- GSU BOG Policy 37:
 - There was an update to section 37.6 to add “Appeal of an academic integrity violation, finding, or penalty”
 - There was also an update to section 37.6 number 6.3.4. to add that if the Provost is the instructor of record, a Dean will review the appeal
- Academic Appeals Committee Bylaws:
 - The committee recommended changes to Article II changing “departments” to “divisions”

- The committee also asked Ann to discuss with the Academic Appeals Committee about the second paragraph under Membership regarding recusals at meetings
- There were no changes recommended for the Academic Appeals and Grade Appeals Policies. Wesley motioned to approve, Charles seconded. Motion passed

Amanda adjourned the meeting at 1:21 p.m.

Ashley Nicholas

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