# ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Name of Committee:** ACADEMIC AFFAIRS  
**Date & Time of Meeting:**  
3:30 P.M. on Thursday, April 12, 2018 in the  
School of Business Conference Room

**Committee Members:** Marianna Baykina, Bryan Davis (Ex Officio), Bonnie Gary, Mark Grimes (Chair), Chadwick Gugg, Lynda Lee Purvis (Ex Officio), Jayme Roseth-Penn, Brian Smith, Krista Smith (Ex Officio), Ru Story-Huffman, Alexander Yemelyanov

**Guests:** Susan Bragg (Co-Chair, History; Director, Women’s Studies), Chuck Huffman (Chair, Psychology and Sociology)

## 1. Call to Order

- The meeting came to order at 3:34 P.M.

## 2. New Business

- Brian Smith moves to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2018 meeting. Lynda Lee Purvis seconds. Motion carries.

- School of Education/College of Nursing and Health Sciences
  - Proposal to change from B.S. in Education with Concentration in Exercise Science/Wellness to B.S. in Exercise Science along with change to additional requirements to note that course rotations will likely require enrollment in summer courses. It is noted that there are no education courses required and the program is more appropriate in the newly formed College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Lynda Lee Purvis motions to pass and Marianna Baykina seconds. Motion carries. Changes will go to Faculty Senate next. Bryan Davis notes that the changes will also require SACS approval.

- School of Business Administration
  - Change in name of BUSA 3020 from Business Leadership: Perspectives and Practice I to Perspectives on Business and Leadership. Also changes in course description and prerequisites. Mark Grimes explains that BUSA 3020 will involve more leadership and connect with ENACTUS and clubs/organizations. Lynda Lee Purvis motions to approve. The motion is seconded and passes. Changes will go to the Registrar for filing and updates.
    - Change in BBA in Management, Marketing, Human Resources, and Accounting degrees to remove Math 1001 Quantitative Reasoning as an option to satisfy Area A curriculum sheet
requirements. This is to better align the programs with best practices and with other programs that do not have Math 1001. Bryan Davis motions to approve. Chadwick Gugg seconds. Motion carries. Changes will be forwarded to Faculty Senate.

- College of Arts and Sciences
  - History: Proposal for new course HIST 4563 History of Sexuality. Susan Bragg explains that the course supports, among others, History and Political Science and the Women's Studies Certificate. The class presents opportunities for study and research in line with those at other universities with a similar class. Brian Smith moves to pass the proposal. Chadwick Gugg seconds. Motion passes. Changes will go to the Registrar for filing and updates.

  - Psychology courses: PSYC 3308 Psychosocial Aspects of Aging (revise to create online version), PSYC 3332 Adolescent Development (new course), PSYC 4403 Emotional Problems of Children (new course). Ru Story-Huffman moves to consider the changes as a block. Chadwick Gugg seconds. Motion carries.

Discussion ensues about removing prerequisites from the quarter system. Chuck Huffman explains some students from the 90s with quarter system hours take classes in PSYC/SOC; Krista Smith also notes that students with quarter system hours attend GSW. Prerequisites are left in. Chuck Huffman says that PSYC 3332 allows GSW to offer a complete child/adolescent/aging sequence and aligns with best practices. PSYC 4403 will come in with the proposed Certificate in School Psychology. Chuck Huffman anticipates an increase in need for school psychologists; students have also asked for such a course in support of the psychology major. Brian Smith asks what we are lessening in teaching in order to have sufficient Faculty to cover the new proposed classes. Chuck Huffman responds that classes such as Psychological Testing with falling enrollment will be shifted to every other year. Motion to pass the block is made and seconded. Motion carries. Changes will go to the Registrar for filing and updates.

  - Psychology Curriculum Sheet and Program Changes:
    Deactivation of B.A. in Psychology: Intended for students going on to graduate study, enrollment in the B.A. has declined and the
last four of our students to get a Ph.D. chose the B.S. instead of the B.A., Chuck Huffman explains. There is nothing now in the B.A. program that is not available in the B.S. track. Assessment would be cut in half and administrative issues lessened by elimination of the B.A. degree. Marianna Baykina motions to deactivate the B.A. in Psychology degree. Ru Story-Huffman seconds, and the motion carries. Change will be forwarded to Faculty Senate.

Brian Smith has explained that the chair can block a set of proposals without a vote if there is no objection. Mark Grimes blocks the proposed B.S. in Psychology curriculum sheet changes, Minor in Psychology curriculum sheet changes, and the new Certificate in School Psychology proposal. The curriculum sheet changes add the new courses PSYC 3332 and 4403. Chuck Huffman explains that the School Psychology certificate will require child and adolescent psychology, testing and assessment, and abnormal psychology. The certificate is not stand alone; students must be enrolled in a formal degree program. An internship option PSYC 4492 was included in the certificate program after talking to school psychologists. Brian Smith motions to pass the block. Bonnie Gary seconds. Motion carries. Curriculum sheet and program changes will go to Faculty Senate.

- **Subcommittee on Policies:**
  Brian Smith motions to table the agenda to move to Policies items as Bryan Davis must leave early. Lynda Lee Purvis seconds and the motion carries.
  - **Policy on Class Attendance:** Registrar Krista Smith explains that the current practice is to have students withdrawn if marked for nonattendance at the end of the enrollment verification period, and students must still pay tuition accordingly. Other schools drop the student, resulting in no institutional change to “W” grade for the student and no tuition owed for the class. The proposed policy will require GSW to drop, not withdraw, a student for nonattendance; the policy as written also seeks to better clarify for the reader the student’s responsibilities and the possible consequences to tuition owed and financial aid received for being dropped for nonattendance. Lynda Lee Purvis moves to pass the new policy. Bonnie Gary seconds the motion. Motion passes. Policy will be forwarded to Faculty Senate.
- General Baccalaureate Requirement #12 – No Double Counting of Courses: Certificates can sometimes be used to fulfill a minor requirement at GSW. The proposed Requirement seeks to set as policy at GSW that certificates used as a minor must follow rules for a minor. Minor courses cannot be used to fulfill majors as well. The proposed policy declares that, for students using a certificate to fulfill a minor requirement, courses taken to satisfy Core Areas A through E may not be counted as coursework in the certificate. Core Area F courses may be counted as coursework in the certificate. The policy also states that students must declare a minor by the time they reach 45 credit hours towards the degree. The policy is intended to go into effect for fall 2018. Brian Smith motions to pass the policy and Chadwick Gugg seconds. Bryan Davis explains that the policy is not yet ready to be voted on, with further details to be worked out, and suggests tabling the motion. An option is considered to pass the policy and revise it next year, but it is felt that this would be too confusing. The motion to pass the policy does not carry.

- College of Arts and Sciences

  - Sociology: Updates for SOCI 1200 Global Social Justice and SOCI 3309 Human Sexuality for online sections. The updates are for file only. No objections are noted and no vote taken.

  - Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (WGSS): WGSS 4500 Special Topics in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (new course): Brian Smith motions to approve the proposed course and Chadwick Gugg seconds. Susan Bragg explains that the class is meant to be flexible, perhaps allowing other Faculty to teach special topics with WGSS 4500. She indicates Dean Kelly McCoy supports this approach. Krista Smith observes that a Banner override is needed if a student takes the course more than once. Motion to approve carries. Changes will be forwarded to Registrar for filing and updates.

  **WGSS Certificate – Curriculum sheet change:** Bonnie Gary moves to approve. Chadwick Gugg seconds. The old curriculum sheet predates Susan Bragg; the new version reflects new instructors’ classes available and removes courses no longer offered.
Interdisciplinary courses are also added. The motion to approve the changes carries. Curriculum sheet will go to Faculty Senate.

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<td>• Lynda Lee Purvis exhorts all to come to the first GSW Undergraduate Research Symposium tomorrow (Friday, April 13, 2018). Faculty can vote for a “Faculty Choice Award” online or with a cell phone with a link. Research presentations will be in the Storm Dome SSC and Design and Media Arts will be in Admin 127.</td>
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<td>• Being no further business, the meeting adjourns at 4:24 P.M.</td>
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<td>o General Faculty Meeting on Thursday, April 26, 2018 at 1:00P.M.</td>
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<td>o Committee on Academic Affairs will meet again during Fall Southwestern Week, 2018</td>
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Respectfully submitted:

Chadwick Gugg
August 9, 2018