

**STUDENT ACADEMIC POLICIES COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA**

Friday, December 11, 2020

Minutes (Lee)

- approval of minutes from meeting of 12-4-2020

Reminder re/Google scheduling link to plan spring semester meeting time (please see Jane Koester's email) – have you completed your form?

Academic Dishonesty updates:

- Faculty survey form – moving it forward
- Policy content clean-up?

S.E.T. – ongoing discussion; general points made at our last meeting:

- Harassing comments: reporting those representing threats to faculty life and safety; faculty should be able to flag these comments and share them with a Chair, Dean, etc...; this would probably mean that anonymity would become another issue
- A need to balance harassing comments with.....
 - The need for some evaluation tool
 - Freedom of speech rights
 - Need for faculty protection
 - The voice of the student as the 'customer'
 - University's current efforts to eliminate racism
- Concern expressed about how SET scores and comments are used for P & T and Merit awards
- Need to put into practice the recommendation of the UPATTF that Departments evaluate faculty with multiple measures, not just SET
- Ongoing suggestions/thoughts moving forward
 - Challenges of faculty receiving low ratings due to language accents
 - Need to provide education for faculty from the Chair, other internal and external mentors
 - Important role of the Department Chair in this process
 - A recommendation from the SAPC must move forward to ECAS and to the Senate by February
 - Inherent racism in the evaluation process needs to be discussed

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