

**Minutes**  
**Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee**  
**April 8, 2021 3:00—5:00 p.m.**

In attendance: Voting Members: Josh Welsh, Eric Foch, Wendy Cook, Ke Zhong, Mike Pease, Taralynn Petrites, Megan Matheson

Ex-Officio attendees: David Douglas, Gail Mackin, Rose Spodobalski-Brower, Rachel Medalia

Guests: Kelsey Haney, Christy Camarata (ASL Interpreter), Glen Petrites (ASL Interpreter)

Absent: Andy Piacsek, Lori Braunstein

(This meeting's notetaker is Taralynn Petrites.)

1. Zoom meeting came to order at 3:03 p.m. with quorum.
3. Chair updates:
  - a. The concerns on the Behavior Policy and that Executive Committee may remove the appeals process in its entirety. Hopefully, the President looks at the policy, and it appeases him, and he goes forward.
  - b. Concerns also involved decisions and discussions to be heard quickly, such as who's who helping organize meetings/organized documents.
  - c. Chair stated that the Chair Updates were completed and requested that the March 11, 2021 minutes be approved before moving into Old Business. Minutes motioned to approval by Eric Foch, seconded by Megan Matheson, approved at 3:15.
5. Old Business:

AAC20-21.13-

  - a. Discussion on existing CWU policy "Academic Dishonesty" on choices of modal verbs such as "should" rather than "must."
  - b. The policy needs to remain aligned per the WAC.
  - c. The discussion also included whether, how, and when Chair and (or) Dean should support faculty.
  - d. All departments should implement in Academic Dishonesty policy in a way that is consistent with everything involved.
  - e. Eric Foch motioned as amended, Wendy Cook seconded. Approved.
6. New Business

AAC20-21.14 –

  - a. Consider developing university policy/procedure to ensure departmental policies on plagiarism. Each department should create its policies for plagiarism. For example, Psychology has professional standards which are

different from academic integrity, and therefore, each department should make their guidelines for plagiarism.

- b. Research to find out how many departments at CWU already have a guideline on plagiarism.
- c. Guidelines developed should include learning opportunities and “to teach instead of to punish.”

Action recommended for the university: Discuss with College Deans to review/develop their plagiarism policies; encourage each department to create policies and follow the procedures.

## 7. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

**Next Meeting:  
April 22, 2021**