

Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee

October 10, 2024

3:10—5:00 p.m.

meeting location: Grupe Conference Center

Minutes

Attendees: Eric Foch, Nichole Stendell-Hollis, Brent Hancock, Andy Piacsek (Chair), Wendy Cook (via Zoom)

ex-officio attendees: Cody Stoddard, Mike Harrod, Julia Stringfellow

1. Meeting called to order at 3:12pm. No changes to the agenda.

2. Motion to approve minutes from 26 September meeting. Seconded and approved.

3. Chair report

- Andy described the meeting that he and Peter Klosterman had with Stephanie Brough, (interim) Director of OSRR, regarding policy on disruptive student behavior. Stephanie had seen the April 2024 draft of policy with comments. Note: Andy had meant to send her a "clean" draft, but later realized that simply hiding the comments did not delete them. Stephanie is new to the office and discussion was mainly about the role of OSRR and general issues relating to student behavior. Detailed comments and suggestions about policy were not provided at this meeting, although there was a recommendation that faculty document behavior, along with witness statements, if feasible. Stephanie also emphasized the role of the Care and Concern Support form that faculty fill out online. We learned that Case Management is a separate office at CWU.
- Andy summarized the meeting of Generative AI subcommittee (Andy, Eric, and Wendy). We familiarized ourselves with the policy on generative AI use at Columbia University and noted that it has three components: student use, instructor use, and research faculty use.

4. Discussion of Charge 1: Draft policy on use of Generative AI (gAI) at CWU

- With regard to student use, the Columbia U. policy has a default of **no use** for class work. Allowed uses of gAI by students must be spelled out in the course syllabus. This puts onus of articulating policy on faculty/instructors.
- Sample syllabi statements (generated by AI) are available in the Canvas faculty resources.
- Questions arose regarding information and tools for instructors, such as citation formats and AI detection tools.
- It was decided to seek clarification from Faculty Senate as to whether our charge is focused only on student use of AI, or does it cover faculty/instructor use, as well. Andy will consult with Peter Klosterman.
- CWU faculty with experience using AI (in classrooms or other contexts) will be invited to future AAC meetings to provide background info and expertise. Eric suggested colleague Ana Freire ; Julia suggested Pam Nevar from McNair program.

5. Charge 2: Student Conduct in Academic Settings

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- Members from last years AAC (Wendy and Brent) confirmed that questions and comments from Joey Bryant were addressed in the final draft. It was decided to resend the clean policy draft to Stephanie and ask for detailed feedback.

7. Meeting was adjourned at 4:35

Next Meeting: October 24, 2024 on Zoom