### TOPIC

| Approval of Minutes –November 11, 2020 | Terri Boylston |

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. Winter Session – updates? (Shawn Boyne)

1B. Graduation with distinction (20-10) – approved by Faculty Senate 12/12/20

- Distinction based on cumulative grade point average after all degree requirement have been satisfied
- BS Nursing may graduate with distinction provided they have completed 32 credits of coursework at ISU

1B. Graduation with distinction – transfer students

- Transfer students – feeling unfairly discriminated against by the 60-credit hour threshold requirement (50-credits graded) for graduation with distinction
- Jonathan – data regarding transfer students and graduation with distinction (Terri D. Boylston)

1C. Drops and Drop Limits and Repeat Credits

- Proposed Policy – Drop
  - All undergraduates – 5 courses to drop
  - Lecture and laboratory courses which are offered as separate courses, but are required to be taken concurrently are considered as one course drop
- Proposed Policy – Repeats
  - Increase from 15 to 18 credits for repeats
  - Course initially taken for a grade must be repeated as a graded course

#### NEW BUSINESS

2A. Transfer Deficiencies [https://catalog.iastate.edu/admissions/#transfercreditstext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/admissions/#transfercreditstext) (Jennifer Suchan)

2B. Last 32 Credits [https://catalog.iastate.edu/academics/#graduationtext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/academics/#graduationtext) (Terri Boylston)

2C. Policy/Issue Prioritization

- From 100 Ideas in 100 Days discussion
  - Review the policy that allows Academic Standards Committee in each college to set higher GPA and other requirements for re-admitting students (following dismissal) – consistency across colleges
  - Review and revise the Progress/Probation/Warning Policy – differences for students with > 75 credits – The entire policy needs reviewing
  - Maximum credit limit per term (18 cr – undergrad) – while exceptions are allowed, this could be an obstacle for some high-achieving students and may impact time to degree – also should there be different limits for students on probation/warning or reinstated? ([https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#limitsholdstext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#limitsholdstext))
  - Review policy for transfer deficiencies
  - Drop limit – consistency across colleges, change from class count to credit count, should there be a drop limit? 5 drops for new direct students, 4 for transfer students ([https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#limitsholdstext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#limitsholdstext))
  - 32 credit rule. If 12 credits are required for full-time status, and an average credit load is 15 credits, then perhaps we could consider bringing this down to the final 30 credits. In now 24 credits completed at ISU. Otherwise, students are required to take two-16 credit semesters. Also, as it is noted in the catalog, we are allowed to waive 6 credits with permission. Since the catalog automatically makes an allowance for 6 credits to be waived, It would make sense to drop this down.
- Other Policies
- **Academic Integrity** – online courses/exams
- **Academic Renewal**
  - To be eligible ‘Students must not have graduated from Iowa State University’
  - Question – are students eligible in they transferred to another university, earned a degree and want to return to ISU?
    - [https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#reinstatementrenewaltext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#reinstatementrenewaltext)
- Designated repeats – change from credit count to class count, limit number of times a course can be repeated, graded to Pass/Not Pass?
  - ([https://catalog.iastate.edu/academiclife/gradingsystem/#gradepoliciestext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/academiclife/gradingsystem/#gradepoliciestext))
- **Posthumous degree**
- **Academic misconduct** – sanction for students dropping courses who have been accused of academic misconduct
  - ([https://catalog.iastate.edu/academic_conduct/#academicdishonestytext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/academic_conduct/#academicdishonestytext))

### FUTURE MEETINGS

Meetings on Wednesdays at 2:00-3:00 PM
- Feb. 17
- March 3
- March 17
- March 31
- April 14
- April 28