**Resolutions on Changes to College Policy on Probation, Suspension and Dismissal**

Resolution 1: Policy regarding student participation in clubs, committees, and intercollegiate athletics

*Whereas* academic probation is intended as a support measure designed to encourage students to focus on their studies in order that they may satisfy academic standards; and

*Whereas* involvement in extracurricular college activities, such as clubs, committees, and athletics often helps maintain students’ engagement with the institution, and may thus help maintain their commitment to meeting academic standards; and

*Whereas* barring students who have maintained a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher from participating in such extracurricular activities is unnecessarily punitive, and may undermine their connection to the institution;

*Be it resolved* that a student whose GPA for one semester is below 2.00, but maintains a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher may still participate in student clubs, committees, and intercollegiate athletics.

Resolution 2: Policy regarding reinstatement procedure

*Whereas* students have two choices in how to respond to a suspension or dismissal: observe the time periods in which they must sit out the semester (one semester for suspension, two semesters for dismissal), or appeal the decision and attend a hearing with the Academic Standing Committee; and

*Whereas* current procedure, as currently written in the college policy, requires the registrar to contact the members of the Academic Policies and Practices Committee (APPC) to get permission for a student who observed the time period suspension or dismissal to be reinstated; and

*Whereas* this procedure unnecessarily delays the registration of students returning from suspension or dismissal;

*Be it resolved* that the registrar no longer needs to have permission from APPC to reinstate a student who chose not to appeal the initial Dean’s Office decision, and who observed their suspension or dismissal.

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