

Council on Academic Affairs
Minutes
April 16, 2026

The April 16, 2026, meeting of the Council on Academic Affairs was held at 2:00 pm in Booth Library Witters Conference Room.

Members Present: Dr. Marita Gronnvoll, Dr. Marshall Lassak, Ms. Juanita Cross, Dr. Stefan Eckert, Dr. Aimee Janssen-Robinson, Ms. Emilee Boyd, and Dr. Sham'ah Md.-Yunus

Members Absent: Dr. Sace Elder, Dr. Chris Becker and Dr. Andy Parrish

Staff Present: Ms. Patty Watson

Staff Absent: Dr. Suzie Park

Guests Present: Mr. Brad Bennington, Dr. Matt Gill, Dr. Don Holly, Dr. Mike Cornebise, and Dr. Chris Mitchell

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gronnvoll at 2:00 pm.

I. Approval of the March 26, 2026 CAA Meeting Minutes.

Eckert moved and Boyd seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written.

II. Communications:

a. College Curriculum and General Education Committee Minutes:

None

b. Executive Actions:

1. March 24, 2026 memorandum from Dean Cheney, Lumpkin College of Business and Technology, requesting executive action to add Hyflex delivery options to CIT 3523, TEC 3424, and EGT 4943.

c. Waiver reports:

None

d. Grade Appeals:

None

e. Committee Reports:

Janssen-Robinson attended the General Education meeting, and they heard a History presentation and approved PUBH 2200G.

III. Items to be added to the agenda:

1. 26-132 ELE3280: Developmental Reading in the Elementary and Middle Schools, K-8 (revised course)
2. 26-133 ELE 3281: Developmental Reading in Early Childhood (revised course)

IV. Items to be Acted Upon:

1. 26-107 PUBH 2200G: Health Citizenship. Eckert moved and Boyd seconded to take the proposal off the pending/tabled list and add it to the items to be acted upon. Cross moved and Boyd seconded the proposal. Dr. Aimee Janssen-Robinson presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
2. 26-111 CRM 2770: Introduction to Forensic Science (new course) Eckert moved and Boyd seconded the proposal. Dr. Don Holly presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as amended.
3. 26-112 CRM 3700: Critical Criminology: An Interdisciplinary Exploration of Crime and Social Harm (new course) Janssen-Robinson moved and Cross seconded the proposal. Dr. Don Holly presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as amended.
4. 26-113 JOU 3120: Video Journalism: Concepts and Techniques (new course) Boyd moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as amended.
5. 26-114 JOU 4620: Advanced Broadcast News (new course) Boyd moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
6. 26-115 CMN 3520: Audio Production & Voice Work for Television & Film (revised course) Eckert moved and Cross seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
7. 26-116 CMN 4950: Workplace Relationships (revised course) Eckert moved and Cross seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as amended.
8. 26-117 JOU 3610: Broadcast News Writing (revised course) Eckert moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as amended.
9. 26-118 B.A. in Communication Studies (revised program) Boyd moved and Eckert seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
10. 26-119 B.A. in Public Relations (revised program) Janssen-Robinson moved and Boyd seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
11. 26-120 B.A. in Television & Video Production (revised program) Janssen-Robinson moved and Eckert seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
12. 26-121 Broadcast Meteorology Minor (revised program) Eckert moved and Boyd seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
13. 26-122 Deletion of Cultural Diversity Minor. Boyd moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
14. 26-123 Communication Studies Minor (revised program) Eckert moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
15. 26-124 Public Relations Minor (revised program) Eckert moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
16. 26-125 Radio and Audio Production Minor (revised program) Eckert moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
17. 26-126 Strategic Social Media Minor (revised program) Eckert moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
18. 26-127 Video Production Minor (revised program) Eckert moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.

19. 26-128 Journalism Major (revised program) Eckert moved and Cross seconded the proposal. The proposal was presented by Dr. Matt Gill. The proposal was unanimously approved as amended.
20. 26-129 Journalism Minor (revised program) Janssen-Robinson moved and Boyd seconded the proposal. The proposal was presented by Dr. Matt Gill. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
21. 26-130 Photojournalism Minor (revised program) Eckert moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. The proposal was presented by Dr. Matt Gill. The proposal was unanimously approved as written.
22. 26-131 Sports Media Minor (revised program) Boyd moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the proposal. Dr. Matt Gill presented the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved as amended.

V. Discussion Items:

The course proposal form was put up on the website and did not work properly and CGS wants to make changes to it, and they are not meeting until fall so it will be taken down and the old one put up until we know what changes CGS would like to make.

VI. Other:

Boyd announced the student VPAA for next year will be Shiloh Frederick.

Gronnvoll shared Lassak will be on sabbatical in the fall and Parrish will fill in for him.

VII. Pending/Tabled:

1. 26-109 Remove Senior Seminar requirement from the Undergraduate Catalog (revised catalog).

VIII. Meeting Adjournment:

Boyd moved and Janssen-Robinson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 3:04 pm.

Minutes prepared by Ms. Patty Watson