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EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
November 30, 1998

Members Present: Paul Kurtz, Dan DerVartanian, Karen Holbrook, Ben Jackson, David Williams, Helen Epps, Bill Paul, Nancy Canolty, Holly Gooding

Guests: Bob Boehmer, Brett Newman, Chris Hoofnagle, Bill Marshall

Paul Kurtz, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Introductions were made and the minutes from the August 25, 1998 meeting were approved as submitted.

Mr. Kurtz explained the University Council’s Executive Committee action on two proposals forwarded by the Educational Affairs Committee in September. The proposals to reduce the number of days for drop/add scheduling and to limit the number of hours an undergraduate may take during the Summer term were returned to the Educational Affairs Committee for further consideration. Mr. Kurtz suggested that these proposals be dropped. The motion was seconded and approved.

Next, Professor Boehmer, Chair of the Academic Honesty Task Force, explained the Task Force’s Charge, the proposed plan of education, implementation of the new policy, and the revised version of “A Culture of Honesty.” After lengthy discussion and a number of suggestions to strengthen the policy, the members voted to ask the Task Force to consider the suggestions and provide an edited version at the next Educational Affairs Committee meeting.

Finally, Mr. Kurtz distributed correspondence concerning the lack of an exact definition of a Reading Day. Professor Kurtz will write a letter to the School in question and the Committee will consider writing a Reading Day policy to be adopted by the University.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:00. Several agenda items will be carried over to the next scheduled meeting, January 6, 1998 at 9:30 a.m.