

University Council

Educational Affairs Committee – 2019-2020 Mark Farmer, Chair of the Educational Affairs Committee Agricultural and Environmental Sciences – Jean Williams-Woodward, absent Arts and Sciences – Samantha Joye Jean Martin-Williams Business – Santanu Chatterjee Annette Poulsen Education – Laura Bierema Engineering – Sudhagar Mani Environment and Design – Ronald Sawhill (also representing Public Health and Social Work) Family and Consumer Sciences – Denise Lewis Forestry and Natural Resources – Puneet Dwivedi (also representing Ecology) Journalism and Mass Communication – Shira Chess Public and International Affairs - Teena Wilhelm, absent Veterinary Medicine – Susan Williams (also representing Pharmacy and Law) Provost's Representative - Rahul Shrivastav Undergraduate Student Representative – Matthew McDaniel Graduate/Professional Student Representative – Jordan Henley

Guests: Rachel Byers Phillip Griffeth Marisa Pagnattaro

The Educational Affairs Committee met on October 21, 2019, at 3:30 p.m. in 315 New College.

The minutes of the March 25, 2019, meeting were approved as distributed.

Chair Mark Farmer reported that since the last meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee, the Petitions Subcommittee has reviewed 145 student appeals. Of those appeals, 118 were approved and 27 were denied.

Dr. Farmer presented as an action item a proposal from the Student Government Association to modify Academic Affairs Policy Statement No. 13, Syllabus. A version of this proposal was considered by the Educational Affairs Committee in February 2019, which was approved by the University Curriculum Committee in March, and later tabled by the University Council at its April meeting. After extensive discussion, a motion was made to approve the proposal with friendly amendments. This motion was approved, and the revised proposal was forwarded to the University Curriculum Committee for consideration.

The committee discussed a proposal from the Student Government Association to revise the Daily Class Schedule. This was an issue that was previously discussed at the March 25, 2019, EAC meeting. After some discussion on the proposal, the committee agreed that the proposal warranted more study. The committee also agreed that more outreach to campus constituents was needed. No action was taken on this discussion item.

The Office of Academic Honesty provided the 2018-2019 Academic Affairs Honesty Annual Report, which will be forwarded to the University Council as an information item at its next meeting. The committee also revisited the issue of researching software that would help detect plagiarism. This was an issue that was previously discussed during the 2018-2019 academic year.

The next meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee is scheduled for November 18, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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Mark Farmer, Chair Educational Affairs Committee

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu Dr. Rahul Shrivastav