



University Council

Educational Affairs Committee – 2018-2019

Mark Farmer, Arts and Sciences (Sciences), Chair
Agricultural and Environmental Sciences – Jean Williams-Woodward
(also representing Forestry and Natural Resources)
Arts and Sciences – Barbara Biesecker (Arts), absent
Steven Lewis (Sciences), absent
Business – Santanu Chatterjee, absent
Education – Diane Cooper, absent
Environment and Design – Ronald Sawhill
(also representing Public Health, Social Work, and Ecology)
Family and Consumer Sciences – Denise Lewis
Journalism and Mass Communication – Shira Chess
Public and International Affairs – Teena Wilhelm
Veterinary Medicine – Susan Williams
(also representing Pharmacy, Law, and Engineering)
Provost's Representative – Rahul Shrivastav
Undergraduate Student Representative – Jan Joho
Graduate/Professional Student Representative – TBD

Guests: Phillip Griffeth

The Educational Affairs Committee met on September 24, 2018, at 3:30 p.m.

Minutes of the August 27, 2018, meeting were approved.

Mark Farmer reported that since the last meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee, the Petitions Subcommittee has reviewed 20 student appeals. Of those appeals, 14 were approved and 6 were denied.

Mark Farmer updated the committee on the status of the revision to Policy 4.02-3, University Policy on Course Drops and Withdrawals, which was approved by the Educational Affairs Committee at the August 27, 2018, meeting. The proposal was considered by the Executive Committee and returned for additional rationale for the revisions. Mark Farmer submitted a rationale draft for the committee to consider. The committee agreed that the previously revised proposal should be amended with the rationale and returned to the Executive Committee for consideration.

Mark Farmer updated the committee on the status of the revision to Policy 4.03-1, Presidential Scholar and Dean's List, which was approved by the Educational Affairs Committee at the February 26, 2018, meeting, and discussed at the March 23, 2018, meeting. The proposal was

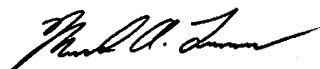
considered by the Executive Committee at the April 2, 2018, meeting and returned for further consideration. Previous revisions to this policy included a change to the minimum GPA required to qualify for Dean's List as well as the addition of language regarding students approved for a reduced full course load through the Disability Resource Center. Mark Farmer presented a draft for the committee to consider which removed the GPA requirement revisions and only included language regarding reduced course loads. A motion was made to forward the policy revision to the Executive Committee for consideration. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

The committee discussed the Academic Year 2019-2020 calendar. Some external websites listed incorrect dates, but the official calendar posted on the University of Georgia Registrar's website is correct.

The committee discussed concerns raised over inconsistent grading between sections of the same course when taught by multiple instructors. After much discussion, Mark Farmer agreed to provide some data to committee members for review, and the committee agreed to continue the discussion at a future meeting.

The next meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee is scheduled for October 22, 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.



Mark Farmer, Chair
Educational Affairs Committee

cc: Interim Provost Libby Morris
Dr. Rahul Shrivastav