



## Educational Affairs Committee - Minutes

August 15, 2011 – 3:30 p.m.  
New College – Room 315

**Members Present:** Rodney Mauricio (Chair), Audrey Haynes, Branson Ritchie, Francis Assaf, James Reap, Laura Jolly, Joan Fischer, Robert Moser, Elena Karahanna, Peggy Kreshel, Will Burgess, Gayle Andrews

**Others:** Jan Hathcote (Interim Registrar), Fiona Liken (OVPI), Debbie Bell (OVPI), Maggie Kerins (OVPI), Jason Emond (Admissions)

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Dr. Rodney Mauricio called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m., and the March 11, 2011 minutes were approved. Dr. Jan Hathcote presented the proposed edits to the 2011-2012 Academic Calendar due to the overlap of the final exams in Short Session I and the first day of class in Short Session II. The proposed edits were approved, and the agenda item will move forward to University Council Executive Committee.

Introductions were made around the table, and Dr. Mauricio began a discussion about the process of student academic appeals. The Committee mentioned various improvements such as incorporating appeal decisions into the EAC minutes. The Committee decided to revisit the issue after the new members have had a chance to serve on the Petitions Subcommittee.

*Course Challenging Policy:* After a short discussion about the origin and history of the Course Challenging Policy, the Committee voted to table the agenda item until the September EAC meeting.

Dr. Mauricio explained his wish to make the Educational Affairs Committee more visible on the Office of the Vice President for Instruction's website once the updates are complete. His hope is to make this important University Council Committee accessible to all faculty who wish to bring proposals forward.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Office of the Vice President for Instruction