MINUTES EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE August 23, 2005

Members Present: James Anderson, Rose Chepyator-Thomson, Ann Crowther, Karen Leonas, Sarajane Love, Theresa Glasheen, Daniel Byrd

Dr. Ann Crowther called the meeting to order shortly after 11:00 a.m. and asked those present to introduce themselves. She followed the introductions with a description of the responsibilities and duties of the Educational Affairs Committee and its Petitions Subcommittee. A list of 2005-2006 Petitions Subcommittee meeting dates and times was distributed and faculty members were asked to sign up for at least three of the meetings. The list will be sent to members who were not present.

The meeting was then turned over to the 2005-2006 Chair, Dr. James Anderson who presented the first item of business on the agenda – approval of the March 22, 20005 Educational Affairs Committee minutes. Jim pointed out the misspelling of Dr. Chepyator-Thomson's name and a grammatical error. The minutes were approved as corrected.

The 2004-2005 Annual Report on Academic Honesty at UGA was submitted for the committee's review and for transmittal to the University Council as required by A Culture of Honesty, the University's academic honesty policy and procedures. Dr. Crowther explained that minor revisions to the policy will be forwarded to the Educational Affairs Committee by the Office of the Vice President for Instruction later this year.

The General Academic Policy on Student Appeals (the Educational Affairs Committee's operating procedures) marked with proposed revisions was distributed. The members were asked to read over the policy and be prepared to discuss and vote on the revisions at the next Full Educational Affairs Committee meeting. Debbie Bell will send a highlighted and color copy of the proposal to all members as an e-mail attachment.

Dr. Anderson noted two items carried over from the 2004-2005 Committee's work - the UGA Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy and requirements for Dean's List honors. The University is waiting for a response from the Board of Regents on changes to the Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy. The Registrar's Office will be asked to provide data on the numbers of students affected by the change in the Dean's List status after the end of Fall 2005 for a future review by the Educational Affairs Committee.

Two items that will be discussed at further meetings include a presentation by Vice President Delmer Dunn on the Report of the Task Force on General Education and Student Learning, and an update by Karen Bauer on the Grade Analysis Study, an ongoing investigation of issues including grade inflation at UGA, which was initiated last year.

Dr. Anderson reminded everyone that agenda items for the September 20 meeting should be sent to him and/or Debbie Bell in the Office of the Vice President.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:55. The next meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee will be Tuesday, September 20 at 10:45 a.m. in Room 144 Tate Center.