MINUTES EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE February 18, 1998

Members Present: Carole Henry, Jere Morehead, Paul Kurtz, Loch Johnson, Nancy Canolty, William Barstow, William Paul

Guest: Thomas Bowen - OVPAA

Dr. Carole Henry, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The minutes of the January 15, 1998 meeting were approved.

Dr. Thomas Bowen from the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs presented a Fall Semester 1998 Final Examination Schedule to be printed in the Fall Semester '98 Schedule of Classes for the Committee's approval. Examinations would be two hours long instead of the traditional three hour time periods. The printer's deadline for this Schedule is March 11, 1998. Dr. Bowen also gave the Committee an alternate schedule of three hour long examinations. After a lengthy discussion Dr. Morehead proposed the following:

Amend the Fall '98 Calendar to include a six-day examination period rather than a five-day schedule, with 180 minute examinations drawn up consistent to the calendar.

This motion passed by a vote of 6-1.

Dr. Bowen will provide the EAC a third schedule (six day exams) to be forwarded to the Executive Committee of University Council.

Professor Kurtz then proposed:

The Educational Affairs Committee members urge Dr. Prokasy not to authorize the inclusion of the examination schedule in the Fall '98 Schedule of Classes until the University Council has met to resolve the issue.

This motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Next, Dr. Henry presented two suggested revisions of the policy on first academic dismissal in response to the University Council's request for clarification. The Committee voted 7-0 on the following change to the Policy of First Academic Dismissal previously passed by the EAC:

Upon a first academic dismissal, a student may not re-enroll in the University until a full Fall or Spring semester has elapsed.

Dr. Henry asked that the Committee consider revisiting the proposed two semester limitation on students not yet accepted into a major after completion of Areas A-F. The Committee voted to withdraw the proposal forwarded to the University Council and to meet again with Dr. James Fletcher and Mr. Gary Moore for more information on this issue.

The next meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee will be March 3, 1998 at 2:30 in Room 208 Old College.

No further business appearing, the Committee adjourned at 2:30 p.m.