

University Council Athens, Georgia 30602

EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - 2012-2013

Dr. Rodney Mauricio, Arts and Sciences (Sciences), Chair Agricultural and Environmental Sciences - Dr. Kari Turner (also representing Forestry and Natural Resources) Arts and Sciences - Dr. Francis Assaf (Arts), absent

Dr. Robert Moser (Arts), absent

Business – Dr. Elena Karahanna, absent

Education - Dr. Gayle Andrews

Environment and Design - Dr. James Reap

(also representing Public Health, Social Work, and Ecology)

Family and Consumer Sciences - Dr. Joan Fischer

Journalism and Mass Communication - Mr. David Hazinski

Public and International Affairs - Dr. Audrey Haynes, absent

Veterinary Medicine - Dr. Branson Ritchie, absent

(also representing Pharmacy and Law)

Provost's Representative - Dr. Laura Jolly

Undergraduate Student Representative – Ms. Polly Turrentine

Graduate/Professional Student Representative - Mr. Jacob Holloway

Guests:

Dr. Libby Morris and Dr. Jan Hathcote

The Educational Affairs Committee met on November 12, 2012, and Dr. Mauricio called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Minutes of the September 10, 2012, meeting were approved.

Dr. Mauricio updated the committee on the results of the two Petitions Subcommittee meetings held since the last Educational Affairs Committee meeting. On October 8, 2012, 7 appeals were reviewed, 4 were approved and 3 denied. On November 12, 2012, 21 appeals were reviewed, 13 were approved, 7 were denied, and 1 was sent back to the department for consideration.

The committee discussed the current student-initiated withdrawal process through OASIS and asked Dr. Jan Hathcote of the Registrar's Office to reword the comment in OASIS regarding withdrawal from a course to make the comment less confusing.

Following discussion at the September meeting with regards to withdrawal policy, Dr. Mauricio said that the current withdrawal policy has not changed and he will contact Dr. Campbell in Student Services to clarify the policy.

Executive Committee, Benefits Committee, Committee on Facilities, Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics, Committee on Statutes, Bylaws, and Committees, Committee on Student Affairs, Curriculum Committee, Educational Affairs Committee, Faculty Admissions Committee, Faculty Affairs Committee, Faculty Post-Tenure Review Appeals Committee, Faculty Staff Parking Appeals Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, University Libraries Committee, University Promotion and Tenure Appeals Committee An Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution

The committee discussed the late add policy. The Petitions Subcommittee is receiving appeals from students who have sat in a class for an entire semester and would like to add the class and pay after the class ends. The Registrar confirmed that current policy does not permit this.

The committee discussed the rise in the percentage of students receiving honors at graduation over the past several years. Dr. Hathcote informed the committee that more students declare second and third majors and may be listed more than once in the data compiled for the committee. The committee would like to see what other universities do in regard to Latin honors at graduation.

Dr. Hathcote announced the fall break on the 2013-2014 Academic Calendar will move from October 25, 2013, to November 1, 2013.

Dr. Hathcote announced there have been approximately 40 extensions on incompletes due mostly to the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences' process allowing professors to write a letter to the Registrar's Office for an extension. This process has been changed, and all appeals for extensions across campus must go directly to the Educational Affairs Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rodney Ma(y/ricio

Chair, Educational Affairs Committee