



Educational Affairs Committee - Minutes

March 23, 2009 – 3:30 p.m.

Tate Student Center – Room 143

Members Present: Gayle Andrews (Chair), Lonnie Brown, Tracie Constantino, Jere Morehead (substituting for Ann Crowther), Jeffrey Dorfman, Silvia Giraud, Marisa Pagnattaro, Stephen Rathbun, Connor McCarthy (substituting for Banks Deal)

Others: Rebecca Macon (Registrar), Deborah Bell (OVPI), Josef Broder (Teaching Academy), Brittany Cofer (Red & Black)

In Dr. Quinlan's absence, Dr. Gayle Andrews called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. She reported on the approval of the two items sent forward from the February meeting to University Council. Next, the February 16, 2009 Educational Affairs Committee minutes were approved.

2010-2011 Academic Calendar: Rebecca Macon presented her proposal for the 2010-2011 University Academic Calendar which follows the guidelines specified by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents. Several members expressed concern about spring term 2011 classes beginning on a Thursday. After discussion the members voted to approve a second option for the 2010-2011 Academic Calendar that allows for spring 2011 classes beginning on a Monday. This calendar will be forwarded to the University Council.

Compact for Responsible Scholarship: Dr. Josef Broder presented a document prepared by the Student Government Association and the Teaching Academy which suggests ideas for mutual expectations of faculty and students. EAC members asked for clarification about how this Compact would be used and received the explanation that it is not to become a policy but a resolution and might be added to syllabi or used for class discussion. After a discussion centered around the use of the term "Compact", the members voted to endorse the *Compact for Responsible Scholarship: A Joint Resolution for Academic Excellence* and forward it to the University Council.

Election for the 2009-2010 Educational Committee Chair: Dr. Jeffrey Dorfman and Dr. Gayle Andrews were elected to co-chair the 2009-2010 Educational Affairs Committee. Dr. Dorfman will chair the Committee during fall semester and Dr. Andrews will chair during spring semester.

Selection of the EAC's representative for the Housing Appeals Committee: Dr. Jeffrey Dorfman agreed to represent the Educational Affairs Committee as the new Chair of the Housing Appeals Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. This was the final meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Respectfully submitted,

Office of the Vice President for Instruction