



University Council

Educational Affairs Committee – 2017-2018

Dr. Mark Farmer, Arts and Sciences (Sciences), Chair

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences - Dr. Jean Williams-Woodward, absent
(also representing Forestry and Natural Resources)

Arts and Sciences - Dr. Barbara Biesecker (Arts)
Dr. Steven Lewis (Sciences)

Business – Dr. Santanu Chatterjee

Education – Dr. Diane Cooper, absent

Environment and Design – Mr. Ronald Sawhill

Family and Consumer Sciences - Dr. Denise Lewis, absent (Dr. Barbara Biesecker, proxy)

Journalism and Mass Communication – Dr. Jeong-Yeob Han

Public and International Affairs – Dr. Teena Wilhelm, absent (Dr. Barbara Biesecker, proxy)

Veterinary Medicine – Dr. Susan Williams

(also representing Pharmacy, Law, and Engineering)

Provost's Representative – Dr. Rahul Shrivastav

Undergraduate Student Representative – Ms. Roya Naghepour

Graduate/Professional Student Representative – Mr. Michael Snell

Guests:

Dr. Russell Mumper

Ms. Rebekah Parker

Dr. William Vencill

The Educational Affairs Committee met on January 22, 2018, at 3:30 p.m. in 315 New College.

Minutes of the November 6, 2017, meeting were approved.

Mark Farmer reported that since the last meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee, the Petitions Subcommittee reviewed 55 student appeals. Of these appeals, 39 were approved, 14 were denied, and 2 were tabled.

The committee discussed the Presidential Scholars and Dean's List Policy and how this policy affects students with disabilities. The committee agreed to consult with the Disability Resource Center (DRC) for additional information and guidance prior to considering possible changes to the policy.

The committee discussed the Final Examination Schedule Conflicts policy. Currently, students do not have a deadline to petition to have exams rescheduled, which can cause last minute rescheduling issues. The committee recommended that the deadline for petitions be the withdrawal deadline in any given semester. A vote was called and the motion was approved. This proposal was to be forwarded to the Executive Committee of the University Council for consideration.

The committee reviewed the Graduation with Honors criteria change which was approved by EAC in 2014 and will be effective fall semester 2018. The committee had no concerns about the new criteria.

The next Educational Affairs Committee meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.



Mark Farmer, Chair
Educational Affairs Committee

cc: Provost Pamela Whitten
Dr. Rahul Shrivastav