Educational Affairs Committee – 2017-2018
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The Educational Affairs Committee met on August 28, 2017. Since the last report to University Council, the Petitions Subcommittee reviewed 121 appeals. Of these appeals 81 were approved, 39 were denied, and one was tabled.

A proposed revision of the Academic Honesty policy was presented to the committee, which updated appeals procedures for the College of Veterinary Medicine. Following some discussion, the proposed revision was unanimously approved and forwarded to the Executive Committee.

The committee continued discussion of the routing of student appeals through the Educational Affairs Committee and the Office of the Registrar. A subcommittee was formed and discussion will continue in the full Educational Affairs Committee after the subcommittee has met.

The committee continued discussion of a block scheduling proposal that would modify class period starting and ending times. A subcommittee was formed to further research this proposal.

The committee discussed academic calendar creation for the 2019-2020 academic year and beyond. Dr. Farmer recently met with many offices on campus to discuss ideas for the calendar and will continue to do so throughout the semester. The committee members agreed to facilitate
discussions within their departments and colleges and bring ideas to the next meeting of the Educational Affairs Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Farmer, Chair
Educational Affairs Committee

cc: Provost Pamela S. Whitten
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