Report of the Educational Affairs Committee to the University Council October 4, 2006

The Educational Affairs Committee met on August 28 and September 18. We elected cochairs for 2006-2007, James Anderson during Fall semester and William Vencill during Spring semester.

The EAC constituted the Task Force on Fall Break at our September 18 meeting. William Vencill is chairing the Task Force, which consists of four faculty members, four student members, and three administration members, and includes several additional administration members in an ex officio capacity. The Task Force is holding meetings and plans hearings to solicit student and faculty input. The goal is for the Task Force to issue a report to the Educational Affairs Committee so that recommendations can be forwarded to the University Council and the Registrar in time for the December 7 meeting of the University Council.

The EAC reconsidered the issue of the length of the drop/add period, which was recently changed, but after debate voted to observe the current system, with the option to revisit the question at a later date.

The EAC also received the annual Academic Honesty Report, and forwarded it to the University Council Executive Committee to be placed on the agenda for discussion during the November 2 University Council meeting.

The Petitions subcommittee met to hear student petitions on August 23 and September 25.

Respectfully submitted,

James L. Anderson Chair, Educational Affairs Committee