

AUC Student Affairs Official Minutes

Convened on November 5th, 2019

Location: Hammond 214

Members in Attendance: Happiness Agbi, Jay Bry, Agnes Frias, Sean Goodlett, Jacalyn Kremer, Kerry McManus, Jada Newsome, Harriet Saydee, Mairead Weagle

Members Not in Attendance: Robert Hynes, Henry Parkinson, Jeff Godin, Amy McGlothlin, Donald Tarallo

Election of Chair Pro-Tempore: Sean Goodlett

Election of Secretary Pro-Tempore: Kerry McManus

Chair's Announcement: At present, there are 14 members who are seated on this committee, making 8 a sufficient quorum; by contract, there are 19 members. The chapter president of the MSCA has approved of this meeting. The election of permanent officers for this committee are being deferred, and today we have temporary appointments until the next meeting in December. It's really helpful to show up, because without quorum we cannot meet so thank you to everyone who was able to come today.

Motion to recommend approval for AUC Proposal #1. (Kremer) (Newsome)

On the cover sheet for the actual proposal form, there was a typo, so a correction is being sent around to committee members. The typo in question was in regards to the number of class meeting dates.

Two academic calendars will be voted on. This year vote on the 2020-2021 calendar with corrected amendments and the 2021-2022 calendar. One such change that was approved last year was a change suggested by faculty for Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 to move back registration, advising, and deficiency grades by one week each.

The Fall 2021 Calendar has some constraints. There must be a minimum of 155 instructional days and no more than 160. There are 155 instructional days. Faculty are under contract and cannot start before Sept. 1st and there was also the issue of December Commencement. Typically, there is a development day and a separate day for the President's Address but this year, the events will be on the same day. For 2021, it will be Sept. 1st. Typically, the calendar ends on a Wednesday but this year the last day is a Thursday. For FSU, there can be no classes after commencement, which is Fri., Dec. 17th. Other universities will have final exams throughout the week of Dec. 20th, and we will differ in that sense.

Discussion:

For Fall 2020 into Spring 2021, will this be academic year 2020/2021?

Correct.

We are approving the academic year for 2020/2021, 2021/2022, or both?

Typically, these are discussed one at a time.

We will hold two separate votes, one per calendar, and then a final vote for the motion on the table to approve both calendars.

In past calendars, classes always begin after Labor Day and I noticed this does not.

It does not always; it depends on the year and varies based on how the calendar fall. Many universities actually begin in August but we have a contract that dictates we start after Sept. 1st.

Motion to approve the 2020/2021 calendar. (Kremer) (Saydee)

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve the 2021/2022 calendar. (Agbi) (Newsome)

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve AUC Proposal #1.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn. (Saydee) (Frias)

Motion passed unanimously.

Reminder: Next Meeting is 12/3/2019.