

**Academic Policy Council  
Minutes  
September 24, 2010  
10 AM- 12 PM  
429 Library West**

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Attendees:

Nereyda Clark  
Bernard Mair  
Nancy Poehlmann  
Roger Reep

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 AM

Bernard Mair reviewed the proposed academic calendars.

The presented calendars are a result of a faculty/administration/student taskforce to create a set of calendars for approval for the academic years: 2012-13 and 2013-14. The proposed calendar includes a holiday on the Wednesday prior to Thanksgiving. There is a roughly 60% decrease on campus on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. The task force looked at wastewater use, RTS ridership and anecdotal evidence to make this determination. The APC supported these changes. The calendars will go before the Senate for approval this fall.

The council also discussed an evaluation minus grades implementation with Angel Kwolek Folland. There has been no statistically valid change in grades since minus grades implementation.

The council discussed how to proceed this year.

- Interdisciplinary education – incentives for teaching and research pull draft and send to Matt meet with council to discuss draft in terms of RCM for October.
- Consider developing a policy on proctoring- develop online courses security related to exams. Group working with Andy McCollough regarding proctoring. Ask him what's status of discussions draft policy yet? Invite for October meeting.
- Grade inflation – possible topic for this year.
- Ad-Hoc Committee to create Academic Work Plan – Nancy has ideas from James
- Review of the University Strategic Work Plan – will ask Mary Ann and talk to Machen about holding off on review.
- Student perceptions of teaching
- Distance learning

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM