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To: Academic Faculty Senate

From: Academic Calendar Committee

Date: July 17, 2015

Re: Annual Report 2014-15

The Academic Calendar Committee is a University-wide, Standing Committee appointed by the President, not reporting to the Academic Senate of The University of Texas at Dallas.

The Committee has ten voting members. The University Registrar and Director of Academic Records is a member ex officio (with vote). The other nine members are appointed or reappointed by the President annually. Two members are representatives from the administration, nominated by the Executive Vice President and Provost (Provost). Three members are representatives of the faculty, nominated by the Speaker of the Senate. Two members are representatives of student government, nominated by the President of the Student Government. Two members are representatives of the University Staff, nominated by the Chair of the Staff Council. There is no limit to the number of successive terms a member may serve. Rather, those responsible for providing nominees shall attempt to seek individuals particularly interested in the task of the committee, and the President shall attempt to assure as much continuity in membership from year to year as possible. One member shall be designated by the President as Chair.

Current Membership: Paul Battaglio (co-chair), Andrew Blanchard (co-chair), Blair Flicker, Jennifer McDowell, Tara Lewis (present for Megan Gray), Sheila Rollerson, Brooke Knudtson (SG President), Nicole Watson, Jessica Meah, Jennifer Holmes, Matthew Bondurant

**2014-2015 Academic Calendar Meeting Dates and Agenda Items**

**Monday, February 10, 2014 – 2:30PM**

* Welcome New Committee Members
* Invite comments from Dr. Wildenthal
* Review previous minutes
* Discussion of schedules
* Frequency of future meetings

**Friday, October 10, 2014 – 9:30AM**

* Discussion of academic calendar and dates.
* Motion to approve academic calendar through fall 2017 Made by: Andrew Blanchard and seconded by Paul Battaglio. All in favor none opposed.
* The Academic Calendar Committee is reviewing a document “Principles for the Development of the Academic Calendar” to provide UT Dallas with a consistent basis for constructing the academic calendar. The document should be ready for faculty review spring 2015.
* Discussion of the Thanksgiving Holiday week and consensus to keep the week a fall break where classes do not meet.
* The meeting was cordial and discussion was collegial.

**Tuesday, Feb 10, 2015 – 2:00PM**

* Welcome New Members
* Development of the 2016 & 2017 Academic Calendar
* Fall Break Discussion
* Discussion on Principles for the Development of the Academic Calendar