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Serial Number #17-18-6

TO: President David Dooley
FROM: Mark Conley, Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL titled, Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report #2017-18-1 is forwarded for your consideration.
2. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on November 16, 2017.
3. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
4. In accordance with Section 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective December 7, 2017 three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; or (3) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum.

Mark Conley
Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

November 16, 2017

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

- a. Approved ☒.
- b. Approved subject to Notice of the Council on Postsecondary Education ____.
- c. Disapproved ____.

Signature of the President

11.28.17
(date)

Academic Standards and Calendar Committee

The following changes to the University Manual related to the accelerated calendar are proposed. The changes essentially change (1) the last day to register for a course from the **day before** classes to about **a week before** classes start and (2) the last day to add a course from the third day of class to the first day of class.

8.33.11 For fall and spring semesters, the open add period extends for 7 days. This shall consist of the first seven calendar days of the semester. An additional 7 calendar-day late add period shall allow students the opportunity to add courses via permission numbers granted at the discretion of the faculty member or other identified office. For online courses offered in the separate fully-online accelerated calendar, registration shall be permitted up to the ~~day~~ Wednesday before the session begins, and the add period shall extend ~~for three class days~~ to the first day of class with instructor permission.

Rationale: The rationale is to avoid dropping students for non-payment, to provide faculty with a complete and accurate roster before the first day of class, and to avoid students missing work if they add a class too late.