

## Educational Policies and Procedures Committee

Minutes of September 13, 2010

Present: Mary Anne Gaffney (chair), Catherine Schifter (scribe), Michele O'Connor, Dan Liebermann, Wendy Kutchner, Chris Dennis, Bruce Conrad, Kate Wyngert, and Stephanie Gillin (Guest).

1. Review of minutes – there were no specific comments, except in respect to item #3, Michele reported that the Associate Deans have reviewed the information and it is now on the website.
2. Introductions – Mary Anne noted that Jimmy will be returning to work with us this year, as will Karen Turner. But there are 3 faculty vacancies, with no one from CLA.

Chris Dennis presented a draft Leave of Absence set of policies. Currently, Temple has no LoA policies, but each School/College handles returning students individually. He and Michele looked at best practices and sketched out ways for students to officially go on leave, realizing there will always be some students who will be simply AWOL. The proposed document is attached to the Minutes. The point of the LoA policies is to try to find out how many students are on official leave, to predict curricular needs, and to identify the difference between drops and who is coming back.

After much discussion, we decided that everyone should be readmitted with no limitation on the number of years away anyone who has been away for 4 years or less to is eligible for courses to be counted toward a degree, but there is guarantee that courses will count for students out longer than 4 years.

3. Stephanie Gillian brought issues about Banner and what can be achieved and what cannot. Last year we recommended a dismissal policy that seems to be difficult to program into Banner. After much discussion, EPPC indicated to Stephanie that we were committed to the decisions we made last year, suggesting that the technology folks find a solution to make them work.

Meeting was dismissed at 4:25pm.