Resolution on Calculation of Semester Length

WHEREAS, The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board provides two systems for calculating the length of an academic semester, one using a count of days and the other using a count of weeks; and

WHEREAS, Stephen F. Austin State University had for many years used the method involving a count of weeks to determine semester length; and

WHEREAS, Stephen F. Austin State University changed its method for calculating semester length to the method involving a count of days; and

WHEREAS, This change was made without general discussion of the issue with the faculty; and

WHEREAS, This change lead to a reduction in the preparation and research time available to faculty between semesters; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Faculty Senate of Stephen F. Austin State University recommends a return to the method of counting weeks to determine semester length.

Resolution on the Establishment of a University Calendar Committee

WHEREAS, Dr. David Jeffrey, Associate Vice President for Graduate Studies and Research, is charged with the responsibility of developing the university calendar; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jeffrey has requested assistance and input from faculty in developing the university calendar; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jeffrey has recommended the establishment of a University Calendar Committee that would involve faculty in the calendar development process; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Faculty Senate of Stephen F. Austin State University recommends that a University Calendar Committee be established to assist Dr. Jeffrey with the development of the university calendar.