TO: Fort Wayne Senate

From: Linda Wright-Bower, Chair Educational Policy Committee

Subject: Amendment of the Academic Regulations (SD 16-45)

Date: November 29, 2017

Dispose: To the Presiding Officer for Implementation

WHEREAS, the University formerly known as Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne will become two separate entities, and

WHEREAS, the majority of the IPFW units will be managed by Purdue University as of July 1, 2018, and

WHEREAS, degree programs previously supported as part of Indiana University will be realigned under the auspices of Purdue University as of July 1, 2018, and

WHEREAS, Academic Regulations for the newly created Purdue University Fort Wayne will need to be in concert with those of Purdue University West Lafayette, and

WHEREAS, a slight change in the academic calendar formula for the Purdue University Fort Wayne campus will provide uniform academic calendars for students attending Purdue University Fort Wayne and IUPUI health sciences programs in Fort Wayne, and

WHEREAS, the IUPUI Registrar has agreed to coordinate the IUPUI Spring Break recess with the Purdue University Fort Wayne campus such that students attending IUPUI Fort Wayne classes will have the same recess, and

WHEREAS, a change in the fall break recess for the Purdue University Fort Wayne campus will provide a uniform recess for students attending Purdue University Fort Wayne and IUPUI Fort Wayne health sciences programs in Fort Wayne, and

RESOLVED, Senate Document SD 16-45 (Academic Regulations) be amended as enclosed, with bold language inserted and strike-out language removed.
Academic Calendar Formula (SD 16-45) Adjustment in formula to align both Fort Wayne campuses

The academic calendar shall consist of two 16-week regular semesters (including a one-week final examination period), and one 15-week summer semester.

During the Fall and Spring semesters, the standard length of a three-credit-hour course shall be 150 minutes per week for fifteen weeks. The final examination period for courses shall be two hours.

FALL SEMESTER

1. The first day of classes of the fall semester shall be the Monday falling between August 20 and August 26, inclusive.

2. Labor Day shall be a holiday. Classes shall be suspended starting at 4:30 PM on the Friday preceding Labor Day and resume on the Tuesday following Labor Day.

3. There shall be a two-day suspension of regular classes consisting of the Monday and Tuesday after the mid-point between the beginning of the semester and Thanksgiving break 8th week of regular weekday classes of the fall semester.

4. Thanksgiving recess shall consist of Thanksgiving Day, the preceding Wednesday, and the following Friday and weekend.

SPRING SEMESTER

1. The first day of the spring semester may be the Monday following the end of the regular Fall Semester. Typically, weekday classes of the regular spring semester will begin the Monday falling between January 7 and January 13, inclusive.

2. The period of time between the regular fall and spring semesters will be called “Winter Intersession” for the purposes of communication to the public. All official university holidays during the intersession will be recognized and offices will be closed.

3. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the third Monday in January, shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet.

4. There shall be a one-week spring recess after the 8th week of regular weekday classes of the spring semester.

5. Weekend College shall be suspended Easter weekend.

SUMMER SEMESTER

1. The first day of classes of summer semester may be the Monday following the end of the spring semester. Typically, weekday classes will meet in two 6-week summer sessions which will begin following a one-week break at the end of spring semester.

2. Memorial Day (Observed) and Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday of Memorial Day weekend, shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet.
3. July 4 shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet on July 4 when it falls on a weekday. Classes will not meet on Friday, July 3, when July 4 falls on a Saturday. Classes will not meet on Monday, July 5, when July 4 falls on a Sunday. The Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday including, or closest to, July 4 shall also be holidays when classes do not meet.