

Resources and Environment Committee Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2019

3:00 p.m.

**Members present: Sid Thakur, Chris Martens, Kimberly Ange-vanHeughten and Mary Hawkins
guests: Louis Hunt (Enrollment management and Services) and Kyle Pyshe (Registration and Records)**

Overlap of 9-month appointment and summer session.

Reference the 3-year calendar (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/calendars/three-year/>): For Summer 2019 classes start May 15th and for Summer 2020 classes start May 13th. Nine-month employees are committed from August 16th to May 15th. One can teach on May 13th but it seems strange that we keep pushing summer up into the 9-month appointments. If faculty were asked to teach on August 15th, they couldn't because they are charging research contracts and can't work on university business. Please review how it is that faculty can double count time for three days in 2020.

Committee Response:

We invited Dr. Louis Hunt, Senior, Vice Provost Enrollment Management and Services, and Mr. Kyle Pyshe, Assistant Registrar for Scheduling, Registration and Records, to provide their input. Though the issue at hand was appreciated, it was clear from the ensuing discussion that scheduling the yearly university calendar is a challenging job. The recent inclement weather experienced over the last 2-3 years has made it all the more difficult to be flexible. A perpetual calendar is being developed which will be released soon. This new calendar system will not start Fall session before August 16th and the earliest start date for summer session will be May 16th. Since one of the major concerns of the faculty on a 9-month clock was ensuring they remain committed to the August 16th to May 15th timeline, the new perpetual calendar will address them. The perpetual calendar will not impact currently posted dates, so those summer sessions will still begin on May 15th and 13th, respectively. This should not cause any major issues, but moving forward with academic calendars, we will actively avoid these dates to avoid confusion and/or conflicts.