PROPOSAL:

To change the withdrawal date during Fall and Spring Semester from midterm to ten weeks, effective Fall 2009.

If approved, the following changes in wording would be made to the Auburn University Bulletin.

Grade Assignment For Class Withdrawals. A student who withdraws from a course prior to the 15th class day during a semester (or the fifth class day of summer term) will have no grade assignment; however, from the 15th class day during a semester (or the fifth class day of summer term) prior to the beginning of the eleventh week during fall or spring semester (through mid-semester (mid-term during the summer term) a W (Withdrawn Passing) grade will be recorded for the course. A course may be dropped with a W after ten weeks during fall or spring semester (mid-semester midterm during summer term) only under unusual conditions and only with permission from the student's dean. When approval for dropping the course under such circumstances is granted, a W may be assigned only when the instructor indicates that the student is clearly passing the course. Otherwise, a grade of WF (Withdrawn Failing) is assigned. All failing grades are calculated into grade-point average as grades of F. (pp. 10-11)

Withdrawal from a course. No grade penalty is assigned for dropping a course prior to the beginning of the eleventh class week during fall or spring semester (on or before mid-term during summer term). A student who withdraws from a course prior to the 15th class day will have no grade assignment; however, after the first 15 days a W (Withdrawn Passing) grade will be recorded for the course. For the summer terms, all withdrawals with grade assignment must be processed prior to the fifth class day.

A course may be dropped with a W after ten weeks during fall or spring semester (midterm during summer) only under unusual conditions such as serious illness of the student, serious illness or death of a member of the student's immediate family. When approval for dropping the course under such circumstances is granted by the student's dean, a W may be assigned only when the instructor indicates that the student is clearly passing the course. Otherwise, a grade of WF (Withdrawn Failing) is assigned. (p. 12)