

Faculty Senate Executive Committee

TO: Faculty Senate

FROM: Faculty Senate Executive Committee

SUBJECT: Recommendations on eStem

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The Faculty Senate Executive Committee approved the following recommendation regarding eStem High School. This recommendation will be presented to the Faculty Senate for adoption at the January Faculty Senate meeting.

Whereas faculty, students, staff, and administration of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock were not involved in the process of developing the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to bring eStem High School to the UA Little Rock campus;

And Whereas unsupervised behavior of eStem students (fights, injuries due to thrown objects, overall disorderly behavior) is disruptive to the host, UA Little Rock;

And Whereas eStem has already violated the terms of the MoU by bringing 465 students to the UA Little Rock campus in AY 17-18 instead of the agreed upon 450;

And Whereas having 1000 eStem students on the UA Little Rock campus will interfere with UA Little Rock's Strategic Plan, Goal one, Objective one, "Increase recruitment of undergraduate and graduate students in all populations toward a goal of enrolling 15,000 students by fall 2022;"

And Whereas the occupation of the third floor of Ross Hall by eStem will remove 15 class rooms from UA Little Rock's usage;

Therefore Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate recommends that the Memorandum of Understanding between UA Little Rock and eStem be amended to restrict eStem enrollment at the projected 2018 limit,;

And Be it Further Resolved that the Faculty Senate recommends that the occupation of classrooms in Ross Hall scheduled for 2018 be renegotiated;

And Be it Further Resolved that the Faculty Senate recommends that use of UA Little Rock's cafeteria, gymnasium, and library be scheduled so that UA Little Rock's students have priority;

And Be it Further Resolved that the Faculty Senate recommends the formation of a joint eStem/UA Little Rock committee, which includes faculty from both campuses, charged with establishing, monitoring, and maintaining a Code of Conduct for eStem student behavior as guests on the UA Little Rock campus and charged with developing an on-boarding orientation for eStem students;

And Be it Further Resolved that the Faculty Senate recommends continued adult supervision of eStem students on the UA Little Rock campus;

And Be it Further resolved that the Traffic Committee be charged with developing regulations to ensure the orderly flow of traffic and appropriate penalties for non-UA Little Rock guests at the university campus who violate those regulations, including the restriction from using UA Little Rock facilities,

And Be it further resolved that the Traffic Committee be charged with developing a traffic access plan for eStem drop-off and pick-up,

And Be it Further resolved that the Library committee be charged with developing regulations to ensure that disorderly conduct and disruption in the library by non-UA Little Rock guests at the university campus be punished with removal of access,

And Be it Further resolved that the Faculty Senate be charged with developing regulations to ensure that disruptions during finals week are minimized.