

MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate

FROM: Steven Hanke, Chair of the Educational Policy Committee

DATE: 03/20/2023

SUBJ: Commencement Ceremony Schedule

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WHEREAS, IPFW traditionally had its commencement ceremony on a Wednesday following the conclusion of final exams; and,

WHEREAS, that tradition was based on logistical practicalities related to attendance by the Indiana University President and/or Board of Trustees and the Purdue University President and/or Board of Trustees; and,

WHEREAS, these scheduling requirements and practicalities have changed since the completion of the university's realignment to PFW; and,

WHEREAS, these changes provide the possibility of exploring alternative scheduling options for the commencement ceremony to enable participation by more students and their families; and,

WHEREAS, the Educational Policy Committee has gathered preliminary information regarding a potential change in scheduling practices regarding the commencement ceremony;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate requests that the Educational Policy Committee complete its information-gathering process related to scheduling an alternative weekend date for the commencement ceremony.