MOTION: The Academic Policies Committee moves to revise the second paragraph of the Attendance section in the UNC Catalog to read:

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Regular attendance in all classes is assumed and encouraged. Each instructor determines the relationship between class attendance, the objectives of the class and the student's grade. The instructor is responsible for informing students of attendance policies and the effect of attendance on their grades. The student is responsible for knowing the policy of each course in which he or she enrolls.

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Attendance during the first two class sessions is required. The instructor has the option to drop a student from class if he or she does not attend the first two hours during which the class meets, in order to allow other students to enroll. Not all instructors will exercise this option; therefore, a student should not assume that non-attendance will automatically drop him or her from class.

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