

Memorandum

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Fairness Board Chair

Subject: FAIRNESS BOARD WINTER QUARTER 2008 REPORT

- •During the Winter quarter, The Fairness Board has not met in person, but has corresponded by e-mail.
- •A meeting is planned for the beginning of Spring quarter.
- •No hearings were held on student grievances.
- •The Board currently has on one student grievance under review for evidence of merit to hold a hearing.
- The Board Chair attended the Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting and gave the Fairness Board Committee Report.
- •Under the recommendation of the Academic Senate Chair the Board is currently taking the opportunity to improve and polish the Description and Procedures document.
- •Status of previous student non-dismissed cases (see Fairness Board Fall Quarter Report). All cases from Fall quarter have been either resolved or dismissed.
- •Status of student contact. (the number system continues from Fall Quarter)

5 – Grade Dispute

A student in Continuing Education inquired about the grade appeal process. The student was instructed first try to resolve the grade dispute with the instructor and the Dept. Head. The student was also advised to write the instructor asking for clarity in reason of the grade.

The Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities (OSRR) and Continuing Education were contacted to confirm the domain of the Fairness Board. The conclusion was that a student is a student and unless otherwise advised, the Fairness Board will service students from Continuing Education. It was also noted that Continuing Education had no student resources, thus the default falls back to the main campus resources.

No formal grievance has been submitted by student. Case has been dismissed.

6 – Grade Dispute

A graduate student submitted a formal grievance to the board. The board currently has the grievance under review for evidence of a hearing. **Grievance under Board review for merit.**

7 – Grade Dispute

The Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities notified The Fairness Board of a possible case. To date, the student has not made contact with the Board. **No action**

8 – Grade Dispute

A student inquired about the grade appeal process. The student was instructed to first try to resolve the issue with the Dept. Head. The student has made no further contact. **Case has been dismissed.**