

Memorandum

To: Academic Senate

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Fairness Board Chair

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Subject: FAIRNESS BOARD WINTER QUARTER 2009 REPORT

- The Chair and the Academic Senate President had an update meeting. Two issues were discussed,
 - existing syllabus policy to develop ways for discouraging grievances, and
 - the protocol if a student does not show up for a grievance hearing.
- The Fairness Board corresponded by e-mail.
- As of this date there are still two open seats on the Board – College of Education (COE) and Professional Consultative Services (PCS)
- In March, the Board submitted a resolution requiring mandatory attendance of student grievant at her/his hearing (submitted March 2009)
- There were four student contacts since the fall quarter. The numbering continues from Fall quarter.

3. Grade Dispute

The student has issues with the instructor's presentation of materials and availability. The student attempted to resolve the issues with the instructor and the Dept. The student still felt the issue had not been resolved and filed a grievance. The Board determined the grievance did not have merit for hearing.

Case has been dismissed.

4. Change of Major

The student had an issue with her application for a change of major not being granted. The issue was beyond the domain of the Fairness Board. The student was instructed to consult the College's Dean and Academic Programs.

Case has been dismissed.

5. Cheating, Unfair Treatment

The student was accused of cheating and was referred to the OSRR. However, the OSRR referred the student back for issues of unfair treatment should be resolved first. The student has document medical issues and was referred to Dean of Student Affairs.

Case is still open

6. Inquiry

The student contacted the Chair, but has not followed up.

Case is still open

7. Grade Dispute, Plagiarism, Unfair Treatment, Unprofessionalism

The student was accused of plagiarism and the OSRR addressed the issue. However, the conduct of the instructor was questioned by the student. The student was referred to the Dean of Student Affairs for resolution and guidance.

Case is still open

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