

Memorandum

To: Academic Senate, Gladys Gregory

Date: 17 June 2013

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From: Jonathan Shapiro
Fairness Board Chair

Copies: None

Subject: FAIRNESS BOARD SPRING QUARTER 2013 REPORT

- During spring quarter 2013, the Fairness Board met in person for one hearing and met once following the hearing to discuss the case.
- Fairness Board contact included:
 1. The Fairness Board chair was contacted by a student concerning an allegation by her professor of plagiarism. The student was referred to the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities.
 2. The Fairness Board chair was contacted by a student at the end of the quarter with a grade dispute. The professor subsequently responded with an explanation of the grade. No formal grievance has been filed as of this date.
 3. The Fairness Board dealt with a complaint which had been initiated in the spring quarter of 2012 but delayed until this quarter for medical reasons. The Board conducted a hearing with the student and with the professor. The Board recommended to the Provost that the grade in dispute be changed from B+ to A-.

Disposition of Charges for the Committee

- The resolution to modify the Fairness Board Procedures document – primarily to include in it information regarding the Student Ombuds Service – was approved by the Academic Senate.
- Ongoing review of student grade grievances

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