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Subject: FAIRNESS BOARD REPORT, FALL 2015

- During the fall of 2015, the Fairness Board did not meet in person, as there were no cases that had reached the stage of a formal request for action from the Board.
- The chair of the Board informally discussed five potential cases with students, all of whom involved the same course and instructor. The chair was able to set up a meeting with the concerned department's head and it was decided to work out a solution with individual students at the departmental level. After checking in with the five students a few weeks later, all of them expressed satisfaction with the solution achieved.
- There is one potential case pending. The student has contacted the chair of the board, but has not yet decided whether s/he wants to file a formal grievance. If the student decides to move ahead, the Fairness Board will meet early in Winter 2016 to discuss whether the case has merit. In the meantime, the chair continues to be in touch with this student.

Upcoming charges:

- The Academic Senate has charged the Fairness Board with the revision of the campus cheating policy by the end of Winter 2016. As it is yet unclear what these revisions will entail, the Board will address these revisions in Winter 2016.