

Minutes of the Meeting of the
ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND EVENTS COMMITTEE

DATE: November 16, 1987
TIME: 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
PLACE: 110 DeBartolo Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. Burden, C. Campbell, H. Corve, K. Hankins,
L. Harris, W. Jenkins, H. Lee, M. Murphy (Student),
J. Scriven.

GUESTS PRESENT: Dr. Charles McBriarty, V.P. Student Services
Dr. Edna Neal, Executive Assistant Student Services

Dr. Jenkins presided. The minutes of the October 28, 1987 meeting were approved as submitted. Jenkins then reviewed discussions and proceedings of the previous meeting; and Dr. McBriarty and Dr. Neal were asked to discuss the proposals which they brought to the committee.

The Proposal is two-fold.

1. Proposal of an alternate definition of plagiarism.

Senate definition: Plagiarism means the use of someone else's words or ideas without proper acknowledgment.

Proposed definition: "to steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own: use (a created production) without crediting the source"
Page 898, Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary

2. Proposal of a standardized appeal procedure applying to students who disagree with an action taken by a faculty member.

Dr. McBriarty stated that "there seems to be two places where a student may take an appeal -- the University Discipline Committee and the Student Academic Grievance Committee. The proper process should be clarified."

Dr. Neal explained the current student grievance procedure. She also explained the procedures currently used for purging of the student files. (Dr. Jenkins was to get more information regarding this.)

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Drs. McBriarty and Neal stated: "It is best that the process remain with the Student Discipline Committee. There is a system for efficiently maintaining the files. The Student Discipline process has more safeguards built into it, and it is basically a consistent process."

"The Academic Grievance process does not always work quite as well. For example, there is currently no consistent method of maintaining the records."

"Discipline and grievance in academic matters should be together."

The Committee then discussed both proposals. The following are comments and concerns of the committee members:

- Should the student be able to appeal faculty action to the Student Discipline Board?
- Should the student take the action to the Academic Grievance Committee?
- Should the procedure be a combination of both.
- clarification of the file purging procedure is needed.

Dr. Hankins moved and Professor Harris seconded the following:

"The student may appeal actions affecting the grade to the Student Academic Grievance Committee." (Motion carried)

Meeting adjourned.

NOTE: THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND EVENTS COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1987
2:00 P.M.
ROOM 110 DEBARTOLO HALL

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