

Proposal for the Creation of an “Academic Misconduct Appeals Board”

Background

The Board of Trustees endorsed a revised *Code of Student Conduct* in August of 2005. One provision of this code was that each campus had to establish ‘clear guidelines for student appeal processes.’ To this end our campus has required each school to create an “Academic Misconduct Appeals Board” to be comprised of three faculty and two student members. The board must follow the detailed campus procedures that include specific filing and notification timelines as well as guidelines for conducting and recording the formal hearings.

Proposal 1

The Academic Standards and Policies Committee offers the following proposal for approval:

The Academic Misconduct Appeal Board for the School of Liberal Arts will be constituted, as needed, from the ranks of the Academic Affairs Committee and the School of Liberal Arts student body. The membership of the board will consist of three full-time faculty members and two Liberal Arts students, to be chosen in consultation between the Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee and the Associate Dean for Student Affairs. The Academic Misconduct Appeals Board will rule on the merits of the academic misconduct charge as well as the fairness of the penalties imposed, following the procedures specified in the IUPUI Code of Student Conduct, Section V.

Proposal 2

In order to constitute the new Appeals Board, the Academic Standards and Policies Committee proposes a change in the Faculty Assembly Bylaws:

[Section 4, “Appointed Standing Committees.” Current bylaw in regular text; proposed additions in bold]

a. Academic Affairs Committee

1. The Academic Affairs Committee will apply to individual cases the existing policies of Indiana University, IUPUI, and the School of Liberal Arts with regard to admission, dismissal, readmission, and grade changes, and it will recommend to the Academic Standards and Policies Committee modifications or clarifications of these policies in the light of its experience. **The Academic Affairs Committee will also consult with the Associate Dean for Student Affairs in the event that an Academic Misconduct Appeals Board must be constituted in order to resolve a case of alleged academic misconduct. The three faculty representatives on an Academic Misconduct Appeals Board will, to the fullest extent possible, be drawn from the Committee. The Committee Chair and the Associate Dean for Student Affairs will select members of the Academic Misconduct Appeals Board for each case.**