Faculty Senate Report Chancellor's Advisory Review Board Academic 2010-2011 Year

3 May 2011

Dear Faculty Senate,

As the Faculty Senate Representative for the Chancellor's Advisory Review Board I feel it is necessary to report on the activities this board/committee is charged with overseeing during the academic year. In keeping with the procedures outlined in the Student Conduct Code, the constituencies of this board are faculty, administrative/professional staff, civil service, and students appointed by their respective Senates. The Chancellor's Advisory Review Board is responsible for reviewing the academic disciplines set forth by Student Judicial Affairs. Our board is further delegated into an Executive Committee of at least four (4) individuals, which must include at least one student representative, to review the merits of student appeals beyond the initial appeal to the Vice Chancellor and Dean of Students. We are the students' last line of appeal of a disciplinary sanction; anything from minor infractions to major incidents may come before the board. Students may appeal verdicts rendered at their Administrative Hearing in Student Judicial Affairs due to either: 1) belief that procedural errors occurred during the initial Hearing, or 2) that the sanction imposed was too severe.

This academic year the Chancellor's Advisory Review Board has reviewed the merits of eight (8) student appeals. Each time the Executive Committee reviews a case we read the entire recorded disciplinary file of an individual. From these files, we then determine if the individual student's appeal has merit. The board determined in all but one (1) case that the student appeals lacked merit. The Chancellor's Advisory Review Board met in quorum with the student in one case to listen to his testimony regarding his actions and the grounds for his appeal. Based upon this Appeals Hearing, the student's sanction was recommended by the board to be reduced. As of this writing, the recommendations sent to the Chancellor's office have been agreed to by the Chancellor.

The Executive Committee of the Chancellor's Advisory Review Board has met on a case by case basis during the academic year. Once the Office of the General Counsel sends notification of a charge to the Chair of the board a meeting of the Executive Committee is convened within one week. Currently, I am serving as the Chair of the board, with Anthony Agbeh (Animal Science/Food and Nutrition) and Donna Post (Curriculum and Instruction) serving as Co-Chairs. The board meets on a continuous basis as needed during the Fall and Spring semesters. At this time, there appears to be no input or actions required of the Faculty Senate regarding the Chancellor's Advisory Review Board.

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Dear Professor Recktenwald,

Report on Honorary Degrees and Distinguished Service Award Selection Committee 2010-2011

Thank you for your letter of April 26, 2011 asking for a report on the above committee's activities.

The committee met twice. In the first meeting, the Chancellor told us what was expected from us. Then the committee appointed a Chair and finalized the relevant dates (when the ads would go out, the deadline for nominations, and the next meeting). As it happens, I was elected as the Chair of the committee. By the deadline, the committee received six or seven nominations. At the final meeting, the committee unanimously decided to recommend two individuals for Honorary Degrees and two for Distinguished Service Awards. The Chancellor subsequently accepted the recommendations of the committee.

There are no issues or concerns, and I would like to thank the Faculty Senate for choosing me as its representative for this important committee. I would also like to express my gratitude for Ms. Lisa Tripp for helping me with the committee's work.

Yours sincerely,

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REPORT FROM THE FACULTY SENATE APPOINTEE TO THE LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM RFP COMMITTEE

Dr. Stephen Ebbs May 6, 2011

A committee was formed to review the two bids submitted in response to the university's call for a new learning management system (LMS). This committee consisted of seven individuals:

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This committee met on April 8, to distribute the responses made by the two bidding companies to the RFP and to review the procedures for the review. During that meeting the committee decided to invite each vendor to visit campus to demonstrate their product. A demonstration of the platform "Desire2Learn" was made on April 18. The "Blackboard" demonstration was on April 27. Immediately after each presentation, the committee met with the vendor representatives to discuss the bids and to ask specific questions about the product. The committee met twice after these presentations, once on May 2 to tentatively score the bids based upon the platform features and then again on May 5 to score the products based on price. The results of the two scoring sessions were submitted in a report to Purchasing with the committee's recommendation for which platform should be secured. The committee also provided comments on what points in the vendor's bid Purchasing should consider negotiating in an effort to lower the bid. The committee's formal charge was completed with this report to purchasing.

Some details of the committee's discussions are confidential at this point due to language from one or both vendors and the contents of their respective bids. Information on which platform was recommended cannot be released until the negotiations with that vendor have been concluded and a contract signed. However if requested, general details regarding the discussions and the criteria considered in selecting the platform can be provided at an open meeting of the Faculty Senate.

The following is my report on the Scholar of the Year committee:

- 1) The committee met in November to delineate the process and in January to determine the winner.
- 2) Leslie Duram was the chair
- 3) Business completed, committee dissolved
- 4) The committee was in favor of restoring the cash award for Scholar of the Year.

Best Regards, Chris Lant To: William Recktenwald, President, SIUC Faculty Senate

From: Deborah Bruns

Re: Undergraduate Student Assistantship Committee 2010-2011

Date: April 29, 2011

The Undergraduate Student Assistantship Committee met twice. The first meeting focused on the application process and an overview of the review procedures. The second meeting focused on reviewing submitting applications. In the interim, each Committee member reviewed and rated half of the proposals.

The Undergraduate Student Assistantship Office sent to assistantship recipients in early April. No issues or concerns were identified requiring action from the Faculty Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

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