

**Report to the Senate of Queen's University
Senate Residence Committee
For the period September 2009 to April 2010**

Introduction

This report of the Senate Residence Committee is a summary of the activities of the committee for the period September 2009 to April 2010.

Purpose of the Committee

As a standing committee of the Senate, the mandate of the Senate Residence Committee (SRC) is to:

- recommend to the Senate policies that ensure residence life is complementary to the attainment of academic excellence in the University;
- advise Senior Residence Administration in all matters of policy relating to the Residence system; and,
- support and encourage the existence of student government.

During the 2009-2010 academic year, the SRC met seven times, under the leadership of Dr. Bob Silverman, Chair.

Sub-Committees and Ad Hoc Committees

The Senate Residence Committee has a variety of sub and ad hoc committees. These include:

- Executive & Agenda Committee chaired by Bob Silverman;
- Admissions Committee chaired by Bruce Griffiths;
- Residence Budget Advisory Committee chaired by Bruce Griffiths;
- Meal Plan Advisory Committee chaired by Bruce Griffiths;
- Discipline Working Group chaired by Stéphanie Goffin-Boyd;
- Student Life Committee chaired by Elizabeth Leal Conrad; and,
- Council Committee chaired by Bob Silverman.

Residence Admissions

In 2009-2010, the Admissions sub-Committee discussed a number of issues related to the room assignment process including double room roommate matching, room changes, athletes in residence and special considerations.

Residence Budget Advisory Committee

The Budget Committee met on five occasions to:

- develop the 2010/2011 budget;
- set the 2011/2012 fees;
- review the expected fee increase;
- discuss opportunities to decrease borrowing requirements for the Redevelopment project; and,
- discuss funding for "student-friendly" improvements to the Residences.

Approval was given by the Board (and subsequently, the Board of Trustees) for a 4.0% overall increase for the 2011-2012 academic year.

Meal Plan Review Committee

The Meal Plan Advisory met on just two occasions as the food services review and RFP process was on-going throughout the year.

Discipline Working Group Committee

The committee met on a monthly basis to review policies, procedures, rules and regulations, in order to fine tune the residence discipline process. More specifically the committee finalized the recruitment process for members of the Peer Judicial Board and reviewed judicial statistics. Appendix A provides a summary of actions and judicial statistics for the 2009-2010 academic year. (See Senate Agenda, Appendix H1, page 38)

Student Life Committee

The Student Life Committee met on five occasions. Topics discussed included the equipment and services provided to residence students, policies dealing with safety and security, gender neutral and transgendered residence space and the possibility of offering coeducational bedrooms.

Council Committee

The Council Committee was not active during the 2009-2010 academic year. Topics such as by-law changes, society incorporation and audit results normally discussed by the Council Committee were brought directly to the Senate Residence Committee.

B. Silverman
Chair (2009-2010)
Senate Residence Committee

Membership

B. Silverman, Chair/Principal's Representative
V. Bae, SGPS Representative
K. Muzyka, JRHC Representative
C. Liu & C. Davis, VP (Finance & Administration) Representative
A. Say, Appointed Staff Representative
M. Ceci, AMS President
R. Courtney, MCRC President
B. Griffiths, Admissions, Budget Advisory and Meal Plan Advisory Committees
S. Goffin-Boyd, Discipline Working Group Committee
E. Leal Conrad, Student Life Committee
C. Landon, Secretary