Senate Committee on Non-Academic Discipline

Annual Report to Senate 2010-2011

Introduction

It is the role of the Senate Committee on Non-Academic Discipline (SONAD) to monitor the various groups involved in non-academic discipline activities. Through consultation with, and receipt of reports from, these groups or individuals, SONAD reviews non-academic procedures and disciplinary activity in an effort to ensure that these systems are fair and effective. SONAD's general mandate is to review and recommend changes to non-academic discipline policies currently in place at the University. SONAD met twice between September 2010 and April 2011. The agenda topics are reviewed below.

Revisions to the Senate Policy on Student Appeals, Rights and Discipline Policy (SARD)

The vice-principal structure at Queen's University changed with Dr. Alan Harrison's appointment as Vice-Principal Academic and University Provost. In response to this change it was recommended that the *Senate Policy on Student Appeals, Rights and Discipline* (SARD) be revised. The adjustment included the Provost assuming the Principal's responsibilities as set out in the SARD policy relating to non-academic discipline. In place of the Principal, the Provost may refer matters to the USAB for a hearing. The recommended changes were passed at the September 23, 2010 Senate meeting.

Residences Discipline Report 2009/10: Summary of Actions

The Summary of Actions, Judicial Report and Statistics 2009/2010 section of the Senate Residences Committee report was referred through the Senate to SONAD. A. Girgrah, Assistant Dean, and K. Morrissey, Residence Judicial Advisor, Student Affairs, attended the meeting to speak to the report.

AMS and SGPS Judicial Reports

The AMS reported that in 2009-10 incidents reported to the Judicial Affairs Office by Campus Security resulted in a slight increase in the number of cases. In response to questions arising about the pub ban sanction, in 2010-2011 SONAD will review the policy and procedure to impose sanctions for incidents occurring in on-campus pubs.

The SGPS dealt with no non-academic discipline cases in 2009-10.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. Smith, (Chair)
Coordinator Dispute Resolution Mechanisms

<u>2010/11 SONAD Membership:</u>
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