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Scholastic Committee

University of Minnesota, Morris Scholastic Committee
Meeting #2, September 14, 2010

The Scholastic Committee met at 9:00 on Tuesday, September 14, in Behmler 130.

Present: J Goodnough (Chair), C Braegelmann, C Cole, C Dingley, A Earl, S Gross, H Ladner, L Ranelli, J Ratliff-Crain, J Richards, C Stemper, D Stewart

1. The Minutes of 9/8/2010 were approved.

2. The chair distributed a handout on Academic Integrity that will be edited as modified during this semester. She compared the policy and procedures statement approved by the Campus Assembly to the UofM Board of Regents policy: Student Conduct Code.   The statement of the Morris policy will now be accessed using a link to the University policy, providing compliance with the "single source of truth." We now have a procedures document that needs clarification. The committee generally agreed that the document should be related to procedures, not policy.

- Members are appointed at the first or second meeting of Scholastic each year: 2 faculty, 2 students, and the Secretary of Scholastic.
- Replace Secretary of Scholastic with Senate Academic Integrity Committee representative as member/convenor, as approved by the 2009-2010 committee. One member objected to members of the subcommittee being from outside Scholastic, stating that he had class on alternate meeting days and was consequently unable to represent his division on this matter.
- The Academic Integrity (AI) Subcommittee of Scholastic and the Student Behavior Subcommittee (SBC) of Student Services both address student conduct, but concerning different issues. Using the single source of truth provides a broader umbrella to address cases, and better tracking of them. The AI subcommittee drew heavily from the SBC procedures when resolving the case last summer.
- Student Behavior Committee and the VCSA are aware of our discussions.

3. The *Administrative Policy: Resolving Alleged Student Conduct Violations* gives guidance to our procedures. The 2010-2011 AI subcommittee will formalize procedures for handling cases. Issues identified for review:

- Should the committee include 2 faculty alternates and 2 student alternates?
  - cases can be heard expeditiously, even over breaks
  - conflicts of interest can be avoided
  - sanctions may affect student status the following term
  - is expediency a valid rationale to allow members from outside Scholastic?
  - Clear guidelines on populating the subcommittee need to be stated.
- Should definitions and responsibilities of students and faculty be removed from the procedures?
- If removed, where should those items be? In syllabi?
- What should the timeframe be for hearing a case?
- What are the actual steps of the procedures?

4.   The 2010-2011 AI Subcommittee members are:
     Jenn Goodnough (SAIC, convenor)
     Attina Earl
     Luciana Ranelli
     Jean Richards (fall semester only)
     The chair will contact the other faculty members of Scholastic about service on the subcommittee

5.   Item 4. And 5. Will be addressed at the next meeting on September 22:

- Assigning general education categories to international courses from China
- Committee review of authority delegated to executive group

Submitted by Dorothy De Jager