

2013 - 2014 Report to Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Judiciary and Appeals Council and Committee on Appeals

The activities in Faculty Senate Committee on Appeals have been considerably more than anticipated in 2013-2014. It is suggested that a number of factors are in play; increased pressures brought upon faculty due to escalating student enrollment, increasing teaching requirements, declining faculty numbers and the requirements of split appointments should be taken into account. Sixteen faculty have been involved with appeals, inquiries about appeals or concerns about administrative action that could represent an appeal.

The Faculty Senate Committee on Appeals was convened three times during 2013-2014 (thus far) to act upon *Ad Hoc Investigative Committee* reports and make recommendations to administration. Two appeals are currently underway. One appeal was withdrawn. Three appeals were channeled into the administrative appeal process and there were seven inquiries about putative appeals. A number of these inquiries are ongoing and may result in an official appeal through peer evaluation or through the administrative appeal process. One inquiry about an appeal was denied.