

Attachment #2

31 January 2011

From: Todd D. Sikora, Chairperson, Academic Standards Committee

To: Ana Borger-Greco, Chairperson, Faculty Senate

Re: Interim Report from the Academic Standards Committee

1. The Academic Standards Committee (ASC) held dismissal appeal hearings 12-13 January 2011. Results from the hearings are summarized in Table 1. The results from the June 2010 dismissal appeal hearings are summarized within Table 2 for comparison.

**Table 1. January 2011 Dismissal Appeal Hearing Statistics**

	<b>Dismissed</b>	<b>Appealed</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>% of Dismissals Appealed</b>	<b>% of Appeals Approved</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Dismissal</b>	122	52(12)	38(8)	43	73(67)
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal</b>	17	(12)	(7)	71	(58)
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Dismissal</b>	5	(4)	(2)	80	(50)
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Dismissal</b>	1	(1)	(1)	100	(100)
<b>Total</b>	145	69(29)	48(18)	48	70(62)

**Table 2. June 2010 Dismissal Appeal Hearing Statistics**

	<b>Dismissed</b>	<b>Appealed</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>% of Dismissals Appealed</b>	<b>% of Appeals Approved</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Dismissal</b>	118	52(11)	24(1)	44	46(9)
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal</b>	28	10(2)	4(1)	36	40(50)
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Dismissal</b>	12	4(0)	2(N/A)	33	50(N/A)
<b>Total</b>	158	66(13)	30(2)	42	45(15)

Non-parenthetic data represent the total number of cases. Parenthetic data represent the portion of total cases that were resolved via letter-only as opposed to via a letter and an in-person appeal. Beginning with the 2010-2011 academic year, in-person appeals are not permitted for 2<sup>nd</sup> and higher dismissals.

2. During the January 2011 hearings, an ASC subcommittee considered three petitions for academic amnesty, all of which were approved.

3. During the January 2011 hearings, an ASC subcommittee considered one petition for readmission to MU after a 3<sup>rd</sup> dismissal. The subcommittee recommended denying readmission because the three-year dismissal period was not served.

4. During the fall 2010 semester, an ASC subcommittee considered one petition for readmission to MU after a 3<sup>rd</sup> dismissal. The subcommittee recommended readmission. In addition, two ASC subcommittees considered six academic amnesty petitions. Three were approved, and three were denied. Two of the three that were denied were because of non-eligibility.

5. The ASC has formed a subcommittee, chaired by Prof. Richard Kerper, to explore revising the Governance Manual policy on academic amnesty. This action was motivated by the academic amnesty petitions the ASC considered during the fall 2010 semester.