During the Spring 2006 semester, the Academic Standards Committee met seven times (with two more meetings scheduled before the end of the semester). Much of our work involved reviewing student petitions. Most petitions dealt with requests that grades be changed to W, re-enrollment in Summer 2005 classes due to having been purged because of non-payment of fees or non-filing of overload petitions, and late withdrawal from classes.

The Committee heard three more grade grievances and has several more to process at the April 20, 2006, meeting. This year has seen an unusually high number of grade grievances.

During the Fall 2005 semester, ASC proposed changes to the number of credits non-admitted students would be allowed to take. Faculty Senate charged ASC with developing a list of special programs whose students could be exempted from this limit. Only two programs have been brought to our attention: Senior Dance and Senior Theater. They have been forwarded to the FS Executive Committee.

Attendance (voting members):
Ackerman, R. (Educ) Attended 6 out of 7 meetings
Alpert, P. (Health Sci) Attended 4 out of 7 meetings
Dalpatadu, R. (Sci) Attended 7 out of 7 meetings
Epstein, W. (Urb. Af.) Attended 7 out of 7 meetings
Jakubowski, P. (FA) Attended 7 out of 7 meetings
Marwah, R. (Univ Col) Attended 7 out of 7 meetings
Mauer, G. (Eng) Attended 6 out of 7 meetings
Smith, D. (Bus) Attended 6 out of 7 meetings
Stahura, K. (Hotel) Attended 5 out of 7 meetings
Reid, Karen (GSA) Attended 2 out of 3 meetings
Saint, Iris (Stud) Attended 4 out of 5 meetings
Seneviratne, Thuri Attended 3 out of 5 meetings

Attendance (non-voting members):
Davis, D. (Outreach) Attended 4 out of 7 meetings
Pratt, S. (FS Office) Attended 6 out of 7 meetings
Sunata, C. (Stud. Enrl.) Attended 0 out of 7 meetings

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During the Fall 2006 semester, the Academic Standards Committee met eight times (with two additional meetings held during summer). Much of our work
involved reviewing student petitions. Most petitions dealt with requests that grades be changed to W, re-enrollment in Summer 2006 classes due to having been purged because of non-payment of fees or non-filing of overload petitions, and late withdrawal from classes.

During this semester, there seems to have been another increase in the number of grade petitions filed. We have hypothesized potential reasons for the increase, including the streamlined petition process. While most petitions have been denied, an unusual request for change of grades came from a department chair who requested all grades in a particular class (taught by a PTI) be raised due to problems with the PTI. That request was granted.

During the Fall 2005 semester, ASC proposed changes to the number of credits non-admitted students would be allowed to take. During the Fall 2006 semester, we heard a petition requesting waiver of the new limit. The student felt it wasn’t fair to apply the new limit to students accepted for Fall 2006. The petition was denied.

During the Fall 2006 semester, we were informed that a new member had been added to our committee: a representative from the campus academic advising office. Gayle Juneau joined the committee in late November.

Attendance (voting members):
Ackerman, R. (Educ) Attended 10 out of 10 meetings
Alpert, P. (Health Sci) Attended 4 out of 10 meetings
Dalpatadu, R. (Sci) Attended 8 out of 10 meetings
Epstein, W. (Urb. Af.) Attended 9 out of 10 meetings
Bernatis, B. (FA) Attended 4 out of 8 meetings
Marwah, R. (Univ Col) Attended 9 out of 10 meetings
Kim, Y. (Eng) Attended 4 out of 4 meetings
Smith, D. (Bus) Attended 9 out of 10 meetings
Stahura, K. (Hotel) Attended 9 out of 10 meetings
Seneviratne, Thuri (U) Attended 4 out of 10 meetings
Grad Stud. Assoc Attended 0 out of 8 meetings
Second Undergrad Attended 0 out of 10 meetings
Juneau, Gayle Attended 1 out of 3 meetings

Attendance (non-voting members):
Davis, D. (Outreach) Attended 5 out of 10 meetings
Pratt, S. (FS Office) Attended 10 out of 10 meetings
Sunata, C. (Stud. Enrl.) Attended 4 out of 10 meetings