

**Senate Committee on Non-Academic Discipline**

**Tabled Motion to Amend s.17 of the Senate Policy on Student Appeals, Rights and Discipline**

**Original Motion made October 20, 2005**

Moved by Mr. Anderson

seconded by Mr. Oosthuizen

that Senate approve the motion that s.17 of



- i. AMS and SGPS Judicial Committees;
  - ii. faculty boards, or the final decision-making body of faculties or schools that have delegated final responsibility to a committee;
  - iii. Queen's University residences administration and tribunals;
  - iv. the head of a unit with responsibility for hearing employment-related disputes between a teaching assistant and his/her course supervisor;
  - v. decisions of the VP with responsibility for matters of safety and security to the University or his or her delegate regarding the issuing of a Notice of Prohibition or exercise of other emergency power.
- b) USAB has jurisdiction to hear appeals with respect to any of the following matters:
- i. decisions concerning academic standing, exigent circumstances meriting special consideration, or a requirement to withdraw;
  - ii. academic dishonesty;
  - iii. non-academic discipline decisions;
  - iv. employment-related issues between a teaching assistant and his/her course supervisor resulting in a decision by the Head of the unit;
  - v. notices of prohibition or exercise of other emergency powers by University administrators.
- c) USAB has jurisdiction to decide any other matter concerning a student referred to it by the Senate, a faculty board, or the AMS or SGPS Judicial Committee, or the Principal.

In hearing such an appeal, the powers of USAB remain unchanged. SARD policy is intended to ensure that students are treated fairly and that there has not been a clear error in the exercise of discretion, while recognizing that primary responsibility for making decisions about individual students rests with those who are closest to the students and who have knowledge of the context in which the decision is made.

#### Conclusions/Recommendations

After exhausting all other remedies and appeals under *Policy on Teaching Assistants at Queen's University*, Part V provides that a Teaching Assistant may appeal to the

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