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Secretary of the Faculty

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Professor Robert D. Stevick, Chair
Committee on Faculty Code and Regulations
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Dear Professor Stevick:

At the continued meeting of 17 February 1994, the Faculty Senate approved a first reading of Class "A" legislation to amend Chapter 28 of the Faculty Code (Adjudicative Proceedings for the Resolution of Differences). A copy of the proposed revisions to the chapter is enclosed. It should be noted that the following changes, approved in the 17 February meeting, are not included in the enclosed copy:

28-33B (Adjudication Panel and Hearing Panels), The Adjudication Panel shall be a standing committee consisting of **at least** 24 members of the faculty...

28-31A (Definitions), Adjudication Panel: the standing committee of **at least** 24 faculty members...

The rationale for these changes was that more decision-making groups have been incorporated into the proposed new adjudication process and, with a brief adjudication procedure in place, there may be an increase in cases. The words "at least" allow for flexibility to grow within the system without requiring further Class "A" legislation.

Two other issues were discussed at the Senate meeting that may or may not have an impact on the final presentation of the revisions to the Senate. One was the suggestion that commentary be added to the Code to explain how certain terms are used in Chapter 28 to avoid confusion in the future for people not familiar with the text. Another issue to be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting is the amendment proposed by Professor John Junker in regards to raising the burden of proof for adjudication cases where the decision of a hearing panel may bring dismissal of a faculty member.

Even though the revisions to Chapter 28 are incomplete, the document will be presented at the 28 March meeting of the Senate Executive Committee for preparation of the second reading consideration. At that time, in accordance with the Faculty Code, the Executive Committee will need an opinion from the Code and Regulations Committee on the appropriateness of the language.

Sincerely,



John Bollard
Secretary of the Faculty

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✓ cc: Ronald B. Dear, Chair, Faculty Senate

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