

Faculty Meeting – March 3, 2006
Faculty Handbook Revisions

MOTION 1. FEC moves that Part Two, Article II, section F, 14 of the Faculty Handbook be amended as follows:

Old:

"14. AD HOC COMMITTEES

The President may appoint, in consultation with the Faculty Executive Committee, ad hoc committees as the need arises."

New:

"14. AD HOC COMMITTEES

The President may appoint, in consultation with the Faculty Executive Committee, ad hoc committees as the need arises. **A written statement of the purpose and scope of an ad hoc committee will be presented to FEC, and reports will be distributed to FEC and to any appropriate faculty committees at the conclusion of the ad hoc committee's work.**"

Rationale: The amendment, to which the VPAA and the President have agreed and which represents current practice, helps ensure that results of the work of Ad Hoc committees are reported to the appropriate faculty committees.

MOTION 2. FEC moves that Part Two, Article II, section F, 12 of the *Faculty Handbook* ("Athletic Council") be amended as follows:

Old:

Function: To recommend to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Dean of the Faculty policies regarding the Skidmore athletic program, including the determination of the scope and level of competition in intercollegiate, club, and intramural sports; eligibility rules; establishment of priorities for the athletic program; and such other matters as may be brought to the Council's attention by the Athletics Director or by any of the constituent groups of the College community. All meetings will be open and advertised in advance.

New:

Function: To recommend to the **Dean of Student Affairs** policies regarding the Skidmore athletic program, including the determination of the scope and level of competition in intercollegiate, club, and intramural sports; eligibility rules; establishment of priorities for the athletic program; and such other matters as may be brought to the

Council's attention by the Athletics Director or by any of the constituent groups of the College community. All meetings will be open and advertised in advance.

Rationale: Athletics no longer reports to the Vice President for Academic Affairs, but to the Dean of Student Affairs.

MOTION 3: FEC moves that Part Two, Article III, Section C, 2 of the *Faculty Handbook* be amended as follows.

Old:

“Grades should be submitted to the Registrar according to a schedule set by the Registrar. Faculty members are asked to record grades on official sheets sent from the Registrar.”

New:

“Grades should be submitted to the Registrar according to a schedule set by the Registrar. Faculty members are asked to record grades on official sheets, **either paper or electronic, available from the Registrar.**”

Rationale: The revision reflects the change to the optional use of the Oracle system for delivery of students' grades.