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Faculty Senate
Florida State University
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RE: Student Academic Relations Committee (SARC) Report, (2018-2019 School Year

During the 2018-2019 school year, The Student Academic Relations Committee (SARC) received one complaint. The office of Faculty Development and Advancement forwarded a complaint to me on October 2, 2018. As Chair of the committee, part of my review process included speaking with the Associate Dean, two other faculty members with knowledge of the situation, the faculty member involved, as well as the student who launched the complaint. The purpose of my conversation with the faculty members as well as the Associate Dean was to discuss in more detail the concerns put forth by the student. The student raised 3 concerns that were necessary for me to clarify with the faculty member involved. After carefully reviewing university policy as well as the policy and procedures of the College, on November 28, 2018, I notified the student that I could not find any evidence to substantiate the identified claims. As a result, I decided that the full Student Academic Relations Committee will not hear the case. Despite my decision, all students have a right to appeal and ask the full SARC committee to review his/her complaint. In order to do so, they must submit their appeal within five working days to Dr. Jennifer Buchanan, Associate Vice President of Faculty Development (jbuchanan@admin.fsu.edu), and Ms. Andrea White (awhite2@fsu.edu), who will forward it to the members of the full committee. If the student fails to submit their appeal within five working days, my decision represents the final action of the university. In this case, the student was notified in writing of my decision and the right to appeal. The student did not submit an appeal within 5 working days, therefore the case was closed.

There were no other complaints submitted during the 2018-2019 school year. If the faculty senate has any additional questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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