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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

FACULTY SENATE

BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

TO: President Francis H. Horn

FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The Attached BILL, titled Report of Special Student Faculty Committee on Examinations and dealing with procedures for handling cases of cheating, (amended) (and with these procedures to be reviewed in two years) is forwarded for your consideration.

2. The original and two copies for your use are included.

3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on May 19, 1966 (date).

4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Trustees, completing the appropriate endorsement below.

5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on June, 1966 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Trustees for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Trustees, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

May 23, 1966
(date)

Elizabeth W. Grandall /s/
Chairman of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.


3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Trustees is not necessary.

   May 25, 1966
   (date)

   James H. Horn /s/
   President

Form approved 11/65

(over)
ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.
TO: Chairman of the Board of Trustees.
FROM: The University President
1. Forwarded.
2. Approved.

(date) /s/ President

ENDORSEMENT 2.
TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate
FROM: Chairman of the Board of Trustees, via the University President.
1. Forwarded.

(date) /s/ President

(Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.
TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate
FROM: The University President
1. Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

(date) /s/ President

Original received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Senate and Registrar for filing in the Archives of the University.

May 26, 1966 /s/ Elizabeth (E.) Crandall
(date) Chairman of the Faculty Senate
Second Report of Special Student-Faculty Committee on Examinations

At the Senate Meeting of April 14, 1966, two of the recommendations of this Committee's report dated March 24, 1966, were referred back to the Committee for further study. We are now bringing these back to the Senate for action. (The numbers refer to the numbering used for the recommendations on the original report).

3. No examinations or quizzes, with the exception of laboratory practicals, shall be allowed within one week of the beginning of the final examination period. Special examinations for graduating seniors are exempt from this regulation.

Comment: This recommendation is essentially the same as the one originally presented.

9. The manner of handling cheating cases as spelled out in Chapter 6, paragraphs 1.22.52 through 1.22.55 of the University Manual should be changed to allow for the following:

a) The instructor has the unilateral right to fail a student on the particular assignment for which the instructor has determined that a student has cheated. The fact of this failure should be reported to the student's academic dean. The student may appeal this matter to his academic dean, and the dean's decision on the appeal is final.

b) In addition to failure on the assignment, the instructor may recommend additional action to the student's academic dean. Upon this recommendation, the dean may authorize the instructor to fail the student in the course. The student may appeal the dean's decision to give this authorization to the Academic Vice President, whose decision on the appeal is final.

c) Either the instructor or the dean may recommend to the Scholastic Integrity Committee suspension (separation from the University for a specific length of time) or dismissal (permanent separation) of a student for cheating. If the recommendation comes from an instructor, it must have the concurrence of the dean.

d) Present paragraph 1.22.52 should remain as it now appears, except that the phrase "failure in the course" in the second line, and the last sentence should be deleted.

e) Present paragraph 1.22.54 should remain as it now appears, except that the words "academic dean" should be substituted for "personnel dean" in next to the last line.

f) Present paragraph 1.22.55 should remain as it now appears, except that the academic dean shall have the responsibility of informing the parent or guardian.

Comment: This recommendation differs from that presented in the original report in that it retains the present type of Scholastic Integrity Committee. It, however, removes the action of a course failure from the committee placing this in the hands of the instructor and academic dean. It also brings the academic dean into the picture in all cases of cheating. The academic dean is also given the responsibility of activating punishment and informing the parent or guardian of the student.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia H. Heffernan, Fred Sculco, John J. Kupa, Jerome M. Pollack, Chairman