

**Minutes of the Professional Standards Committee  
October 21, 1998**

**Present:** N. Bristow, A. Butcher, T. Cooney, C. Hale, J. Hanson, B. Mann, K.A. Miller, K. Rousslang

Order was gently brought about by the presiding chair, Hanson, at almost 3:00 P.M.

The minutes of the 14 October 1998 meeting were approved as distributed. The revised minutes of the 7 October 1998 meeting were approved as resubmitted.

Hanson reported that Sousa (P&G) called to inform him (Hanson) that the tenure case scheduled for this year's consideration will be postponed for a year. Thus, the need to move expeditiously for reviewing the P&G criteria is no longer strong, hence movement unexpeditiously is now possible.

Memos were sent by Hanson to the Psych and Math departments. Both memos represented faithfully the discussions of PSC at its earlier meetings. The Psych memo reported on the minor suggestions for their criteria statement. Cooney noted we best tell them an apostrophe is needed at the word "Persons" in Section III. With this additional note, the committee agreed this review is complete.

The Math memo responded to the questions raised by them regarding the interpretation of adequate visitation. The wording was changed to substitute "more than one" wherever the word "multiple" was used. While this will create a minimum expectation, the memo should also note that performance above the minimum would be desirable. Finally, the entire concept of PSC having any sympathy was determined to be misplaced. Hence, that phrase should be stricken from the communiqué. That having been accomplished, the memo was approved for distribution.

Discussion then moved to the consideration of the Chem department's statement for criteria on evaluation. Miller presented a lucid discussion of the points at issue. She distributed a memo clearly articulating same. Much discussion of topics ensued. Specific recommendations were proffered for the department. Miller/Hale will draft a response memo for the next meeting of PSC.

Next meeting: 28 October 1998, 3:00 P.M., back in the Shelmidine Room to consider B&PA, Geology, and Educ criteria statements.

Respectfully submitted,

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