

MEMO TO: Ruth Keele (staff to the FGAC) and Chris Prosser (secretary of the Faculty)
MEMO FROM: Peter Gilkey
MEMO RE: The Faculty Grievance Appeals Committee
MEMO CC: Coris Payne and Claire Wachter (members of the FGAC)
MEMO CC: Margie Paris (UO Senate President Elect)
MEMO DATE: 5 May 2013

Dear Ruth and Chris

The FGAC (Faculty Grievance Appeals Committee) functions pursuant to OAR 571-003. It is not a Senate Committee but rather is an externally mandated board. Thus it does not make substantive reports but only pro-forma reports to the UO Senate.

I chaired the committee during 2011/2012 and I acted as convener of the committee during academic 2012/2013. Since the committee did not receive any appeals during academic 2012/3, the committee did not meet and therefore did not elect a permanent chair for academic 2012/2013. Consequently, I am making this pro-forma report on behalf of the committee. I am copying this to the other members of the committee should they wish to add to this report. I am also copying this to the incoming UO Senate President (Margie Paris) who I believe chairs the CoC. I am also copying this to Dave Hubin as he is involved in some philosophical sense with faculty governance.

I do note with some alarm that the committee seems only to have 3 members this year and not the 5 members required by OAR 571-003 and thus it was fortunate that we did not receive a case to deal with. I am respectfully requesting that Ruth Keele (who acts as staff to the committee) poll the full committee for 2013/4 (after the outcome of the elections are known) and have them select a convener for 2013/4; never having met the 2 continuing members of the committee I should prefer not to undertake that task although I am willing to chair a meeting of the committee in late May to offer what wisdom I can have concerning methods and procedures followed in the past should the members of the 2012/3 committee so wish. Given, however, the structural changes we are undergoing in the likely functioning of this committee, this is probably unnecessary.

On a personal note. I have served as President of the UO Senate twice, I have served as President of the InterInstitutional Faculty Senate twice, I have chaired the FPC, the FGAC, the Undergraduate Council, the PTRAC, the University Library Committee, served as President of the UO Chapter of the AAUP and as President of the Oregon Conference of the AAUP, as well serving on the FAC and various other committees over the 30+ years I have been at the University of Oregon.

I remain active in service activities within the UO Math Department and serve on the editorial board of 3 journals in my field. However, I am now 67. While I am still full of enthusiasm, energy, and zest for the academic life (and life in general) and have no intention of retiring for the foreseeable future, I feel I have served my time in shared governance at the statewide and university wide level and thus do not anticipate serving on such major committees in the future. I am honored by the trust the faculty has reposed

in me over the years in this regard and am honored to have received the Westling Faculty Leadership award.

Ruth and Margie. I would be grateful for a brief email acknowledgment so I know you got this.

Respectfully submitted

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Professor of Mathematics.