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Annual Report from the Senate Student Appeals Committee

The majority of this committee's work continues to be done within the sub-committee which consists of academic advisors, at least one faculty member, at least one UWSA senator, the Chair (non-voting), and, occasionally, non-voting members who attend to present special appeals. The sub-committee meets weekly and considers appeals related to graduations, retroactive withdrawal, incomplete term work, deferred final exams, re-admission, and other appeals set out in the Senate Standing Rules. Minutes of the sub-committee meetings summarize appeals heard and decisions rendered.

A student who is not satisfied with the sub-committee's decision may request a meeting with the Chair of the committee; if new information is presented, the sub-committee may hear the appeal again. If appeals cannot be resolved (by consensus) at the sub-committee level, a meeting of the full Senate Appeals Committee is called by the Chair to consider the appeal, including a presentation made by the student if he/she desires. A meeting of the full Senate Appeals Committee is also called by the Chair to consider a re-appeal of a Final Grade Appeal. The full committee met to consider one appeal this year.

This year the sub-committee heard one appeal from a graduate student. The Faculty of Graduate Studies continues to refine their student appeals process.

I would like to thank the staff, faculty members, and UWSA representatives who contributed to this important committee over the last year. I am especially grateful for the exceptional service provided by the University's student advisors, who diligently create a balance between compassionate concern and fairness for University of Winnipeg students.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tabitha Wood".

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