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MEMORANDUM

TO: Ron Bohlander, Secretary of the Faculty

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SUBJECT: Report of the Student Grievance & Appeals Committee for 2012-13

The members of the Student Grievance & Appeals Committee for 2012-13 were:

- Arnie Schneider, Chair (Scheller College of Business)
- Douglas Flamming (HTS)
- Jeannette Yen (Biology)
- Kari Zimmer (Undergraduate student rep)
- Mihir Pathak (Graduate student rep)
- Bob Kirkman, Executive Board Liaison (Public Policy)

and for 2013-14 are:

- Arnie Schneider, Chair (Scheller College of Business)
- Douglas Flamming (HTS)
- Jeannette Yen (Biology)
- Zain Sharif (Undergraduate student rep)
- Michael Ellis (Graduate student rep)
- Michael Gamble, Executive Board Liaison (CoA)

The Student Grievance & Appeals Committee received one appeal during the 2012-13 academic year. A student in ECE appealed a grade and the committee denied the student's appeal, so the student's original grade was not changed.

The other activity of the committee during the year was to appoint volunteers to serve as outside members for school-level appeal committees. This task was performed twice by the chair, as no input was necessary from other SG&A Committee members. The two cases are described in the following paragraph.

The first case involved an appeal of a grade received in an ME course. Al Ferri, Associate Chair of ME, created the school-level committee and requested that the SG&A Committee secure an outside member. Eric Overby of the Scheller College of Business was appointed as the outside member. The committee found in favor of the student, so the student's original grade was changed. The second case involved an appeal of a grade received in a Scheller College of Business course. Jonathan Clarke, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs at Scheller, created the college-level

committee and requested that the SG&A Committee secure an outside member. Doron Lubinsky of Mathematics was appointed as the outside member. The committee found in favor of the faculty member, so the student's original grade was not changed.