Meeting of the Villanova University Faculty Rights and Responsibilities Committee

Monday, April 29, 2024, 11:40AM – 12:30PM, Zoom

Minutes

Present Thursday: Theodoros Arapis, Farshid Baghai, Aronte Bennett, Cheryl Carleton, Joe Drury, Michelle Kelly, Amanda Knecht (chair), Jennifer Ross, Kerry San Chirico

Invite Guest: Alice Dailey

The committee met via Zoom and conducted the following business:

Discussion with Alice Dailey on Student Complaints in Handbook:

- Alice Dailey joined our meeting to present FRRC with proposed additions to section 65 of the handbook, STUDENT GRADE APPEALS AND COMPLAINTS ABOUT FACULTY.
- Currently there is no process for how complaints sent through ODEI's Climate Concerns mechanism or Ethics Point. The proposed changes will formalize the procedure and aim to make the process fairer for faculty and students.
- Complaints will be referred to department chairs and follow the same procedures as other have always been as outlined in section 65.
- After Alice left, the committee voted 9-0 in favor of making the proposed changes.