Annual IUPUI SOE Grievance Hearing Committee Report

April 25, 2017

The IUPUI Grievance Hearing Committee members were Monica Medina, Crystal Morton, Lonni Gill, Craig Willey, Chalmer Thompson, Gina Yoder and Sha’Kema Blackmon. Linda Houser served in an Ex-Officio capacity.

Jim Scheurich was Chair of the Committee until fall of 2016. Two grievances were filed in the spring and summer of 2016. In both cases, students alleged that faculty members in the Elementary Teacher Education program violated their rights in pursuit of their education. Dr. Scheurich reviewed and discussed the rules, procedures, and policies of the Committee.

One case involved removal from a Block 4 student teaching experience. After hearing from all parties and reviewing the data presented, the committee recommended the student be permitted to finish the Block 4 student teaching experience under the supervision of different faculty. Additionally, the committee made some recommendations to the EAD, Dr. Robin Hughes, regarding policy and procedures in the Teacher Education program.

The other case involved a student’s failure in the E345 course in Block 1 of the Elementary Teacher Education program. After hearing from all parties and reviewing the data presented, the committee could not support the student’s claim. However, the committee recommended the student should be permitted to retake E345 the next semester.

In February of 2017 Gina Yoder was asked by ADRAA Dr. Samantha Paredes Scribner to serve as Chair of the Committee. No grievances were filed in spring 2017.

Gina Borgioli Yoder, Chair