

Committee on Conciliation

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Committee Members	Department	College	Term
Homer Pettey, CHAIR	English	HUM	6/13-5/15
Michael Brescia, VICE CHAIR	Arizona State Museum	NON	6/12-5/14
Judith Bronstein	Ecology/Evolutionary Biology	COS	6/13-5/15
Samira Farwaneh	Mid. Eastern/No. African Stud.	SBS	6/12-5/14
Terence O'Keeffe	Surgery	COM	2/14-5/15
Daniela Zarnescu	Molecular/Cellular Biology	cos	6/13-5/14

The Committee on Conciliation received four cases this year.

- In August 2013, members were referred a dismissal case from the Office of the President.
 Committee members attempted to contact the respondent pertaining to the dismissal, but were
 unsuccessful. Conciliation members concluded that conciliation between the parties was not
 possible.
- In September 2013, members were referred to a matter where the grievant alleged his
 department head falsified documents pertaining to his performance evaluation. The Conciliators
 found no evidence to support the grievant's claim. Conciliation was not successful.
- In January 2014, members were referred to a matter where the grievant alleged that the
 department head had engaged in a pattern of mistreatment, including assignment of excessive
 teaching load. The grievant chose not to meet with the respondent making Conciliation
 impossible.
- 4. In January 2014, members were referred to a dismissal case from the Office of the President. Although Conciliators set up meetings with both the grievant and respondent, apparent due process problems on the part of a third party prevented timely meetings within the approved extension period. It will be necessary for the third party to rectify the due process missteps first before any further meetings can be scheduled and a reasonable attempt at Conciliation can occur.

The Committee on Conciliation's work could not have been completed without commitment of the various faculty members who donate a large amount of their time to serve on this committee.

Respectfully Submitted.

Homer Pettey, Chair

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