

TO: Earlham Community
FROM: Doug Bennett
RE: Review of Judicial Policy and Procedures
DATE: January 18, 2007

In this memo, I want to outline how we are proceeding with an interim review of our judicial policies and procedures, as recommended last April by the Committee on Campus Life (CCL).

Section VII. B. of our current Judicial Policies and Procedures provides for the following: "In two years, Spring Semester 2005, this 2003 revision will undergo an interim evaluation conducted by the then current Judicial Process Authorities named in Section V: A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H of this document." Last April, noting that we had failed to conduct this interim review in Spring 2005, the Committee on Campus Life (CCL) recommended to me that we undertake the interim review during 2006-07.

This fall I met with the named Judicial Authorities (those with experience from 2005-06) for two dinner meetings to discuss issues with the current Judicial Policy. At the second, I asked them to formally undertake the interim review. The members of this review committee are the following:

Dean of Student Development: Deb McNish
Judicial Advisor: Dana North
CJC & SJC Hearing Officers: Frank Carr, Shenita Piper, Bonita Washington Lacey
CJC Faculty Members: Tom Ferrell, Christine Larson, Kevin Miles
Student Members of SJC & CJC: Rob Kinne, Stephanie Way, Andrea Erving, Alex Germanicos

Deb McNish is convening the group; Katrina McQuail is providing staff support.

In their work, I have asked this Ad Hoc Interim Judicial Review Committee to take into consideration the following:

- (a) The college's experience with the Judicial Policy since it was approved in 2003;
- (b) The consultant's report from James Tederman and subsequent discussions of his report on campus;
- (c) The work of the Task Force on Alcohol; and
- (d) Notes from visits to five other residential liberal arts colleges undertaken this fall by Katrina McQuail to study their judicial policies in depth.

The ad hoc committee will circulate to the community a draft report and recommendations early in second semester for comments and additional suggestions. It will

make its recommendations for improvement of our Judicial Policies and Procedures to the Committee on Campus Life for further consideration through our established governance procedures.

A full review of the Judicial Policies and Procedures is scheduled for 2008-09, in conjunction with the scheduled review of Principles and Practices of the Earlham College Community.