Patti Adler Ad-Hoc Committee

Committee Charge: Review whether established University policies and procedures were followed in the Patti Adler case.

Issues:

a. What are the facts surrounding this situation that can be learned and shared with the faculty?
b. What are the specific policies and procedures (P&P's) that should have been followed in this case?
c. Did administration and faculty follow the P&P’s?
d. What are the recommendations for avoiding this situation in the future?
e. Were fundamentals of academic freedom and academic responsibility violated/followed?

This approach provides the BFA with an opportunity to determine if due process was provided to the faculty member and to recommend how appropriate due process would be provided in the future.

The committee will be comprised of seven members – Five tenured professors selected by the BFA ExCom from BFA elected representatives, one representative selected by the Arts and Sciences Council of commensurate rank, plus the committee chair from the BFA ExCom. The BFA Chair will sit as ex officio as a resource.

The committee will complete its task by May 1, 2014. Progress reports to the BFA Executive Committee will be given every 30 days.

Notice of Motion to the BFA Executive Committee: January 13, 2014
Approved by the BFA Executive Committee: January 23, 2014