

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE- STUDENT CONDUCT BOARD
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Members: Joise Garzon, Christopher Higgins, Mark Motte, Danielle Shields

Committee Chair: Patricia Molloy

Student Representatives: Brianna Dixon (Graduate Student) – No Undergraduate Student

Meeting Dates: 11/26/21, 3/16/22 & group email communication

	GOAL ACHIEVEMENTS/OUTCOMES (Describe how the goals were met/not met and barriers to completing the goals)	ONGOING GOAL & RECOMMENDATIONS
<p>Committee Goals: (Based on By-laws)</p> <p>A. Powers and Duties The Board shall:</p> <p>1. Establish, publish, and implement procedures for adjudicating alleged conduct by students contrary to policies and regulations of the College and to regulations established by other lawful authorities, or breaching the rights of other persons. These procedures shall protect the rights of all parties. The Board shall emphasize the substance of issues rather than the technicalities.</p> <p>2. Be authorized to hear and adjudicate charges against individual students or student organizations in accordance with the provisions of paragraph A.1.</p> <p>3. Be authorized to assess penalties including, but not limited to, reprimands, suspension or cancellation of privileges, probation suspension,</p>	<p>1. Goal not met. No cases were brought to the SCB, so proposals regarding procedures for adjudicating alleged conduct were not suggested.</p> <p>2. No cases were brought to the Student Conduct Board (SCB) so goal not met.</p> <p>3. No cases were brought to the SCB so goal not met.</p>	

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<p>and expulsion when an individual or organization is found responsible for violating said policies and regulations.</p>		
<p>4. Oversee the administration of behavioral discipline of the College to insure compatibility and fairness.</p>	<p>4. No cases were brought to the SCB so goal not met.</p>	
<p>5. Be permitted to delegate responsibility and authority to College officers (e.g., Dean of Students) or groups (e.g., Student Court) and hear appeals of actions taken under this delegation.</p>	<p>5. No cases were brought to the SCB so goal not met.</p>	
<p>6. In emergencies, or when it cannot be assembled, permit College officers designated by the Vice President for Student Affairs to act in its place. Such actions and decisions shall be reported in writing to the Board. The Board shall have the power, upon the request of the aggrieved party, or upon its own initiative, to review the actions and decisions.</p>	<p>6. No cases were brought to the SCB so goal not met.</p>	
<p>7. File a report of its activities, at least once each year, with Council, to be placed in the Council's public file, with the Vice President for Student Affairs and the Dean of Students, and with Student Parliament.</p>	<p>7. Goal met. This report will be available on OneDrive and link shared with all current Board members as well as Chair of Council.</p>	
<p>8. Make recommendations to the Council or its committees, to the Vice President for Student Affairs, and to any other appropriate persons or entities, for improvements related to the Board's responsibilities.</p>	<p>8. Goal met. This report will be available on OneDrive and link shared with all current Board members as well as Chair of Council.</p>	

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<p>9. Meet as necessary, at the call of its Chair or upon written request of the President of the College or any four Board members.</p> <p>10. The chair of the Student Conduct Board shall receive a summary report (without names) at the beginning of each semester (Fall and Spring) from the Dean of Students, the Director of Campus Security, and the Office of Residential Life of all instances of violations of the Code of Student Conduct handled by these offices, and the sanctions levied.</p>	<p>9. Goal met, however only two meetings occurred due to lack of cases.</p> <p>Goal met. Chair of SCB requested reports from D. Dubois, J. Mendonca, and Interim Director – P. Gibb, but data received was not very helpful, e.g., D. Dubois sent maxient report for Residential Life that included items such as: Office of Residential Life & Housing - Residence Hall Policy: Drugs - Use of Illegal Drugs/Substances – Responsible - Written Warning</p> <p>C. Higgins – (Residential Life and Housing Area Coordinator) was an SCB member and was able to provide some additional specific data.</p> <p>J. Mendonca provided the published report 2021 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report (ASFR), but this did not provide specifics about violations of the Code of Student Conduct, how they were handled and the sanctions levied.</p>	<p>The Council’s current 2017 By-Laws reflect changes in the functions of the SCB suggested by a long-time former chair of the SCB. Problems that existed during 2017 still exist (20/21 academic year); specifically, lack of notification of violations of the Code of Student Conduct and no SCB involvement in any procedures or processes related to violations. See recommendations below.</p>
<p>Major Recommendations: The role of the current Student Conduct Board is unclear. Members were disillusioned by their lack of involvement related to any committee functions. If the committee serves no clear purpose, it should be revised or eliminated. During this academic year, the SCB reviewed the functions of the Academic Integrity Board site: https://www.ric.edu/departments-directory/academic-integrity-board and one recommendation is to combine the two committees with a revision of name and functions. Alternatively, major revision needs to occur related to the interface between the SCB and the Dean of Students, Director of Campus Security and Office of Residential Life and SCB access to applicable maxient reports.</p>		