

**Professional Standards Committee Minutes**  
**March 14, 1997**

**Present:** Block, Breitenbach, Cooney, Goldstein, Hale, Miller, Taranovski

The Committee drafted the following statement concerning procedures for when a conflict of interest may exist:

In cases brought before the Professional Standard Committee (PSC), the individuals involved or any PSC member may raise the issue of conflict of interest concerning a member of the Committee. If the conflict of interest is disputed, those members of the PSC who are not involved in the alleged conflict of interest shall conduct a confidential, written vote to determine if a conflict of interest exists. If it is determined that a member of the PSC does have a conflict of interest, that member shall be recused from deliberating and voting. If a member of the PSC is recused because of a conflict of interest, the PSC, at its discretion, may appoint a substitute to participate in the case.

The Committee forwarded the statement to the Faculty Senate for consideration for inclusion in Article 5, Section 6E of the Faculty Bylaws.

Respectfully submitted,

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