

Review and Planning Committee  
Minutes for Oct. 1, 1999

Present: Baker, Becker, Cabe, Odell, Pristash, Rohn, Schuurman.

THIS MEETING WAS CALLED OUTSIDE OF THE NORMAL SCHEDULE because the regents were meeting on the weekend, were scheduled to discuss the grievance procedure, and we found that the President's response to the Chair's latest letter left committee members unsure where matters stood when the President spoke about "an interim solution". After exchanging views among one another over e-mail, we decided that we had better meet, and did so at 2 p.m. in Boe Chapel 109.

PROCESS: We spent much of our time discussing what authority we had as a committee. We agreed that we had no authority to create or sanction an interim grievance procedure that did not acquire faculty approval. We considered various responses to the President's latest e-mail and certain positions that he has articulated on several occasions. We set as objectives the need to state what we viewed as the limits of what we and others could do and to continue seeking from the regents and President space and time for working out important differences between the President and other, RPC faculty members regarding the status of the current grievance procedure.

RESULT: We decided that the Chair of RPC should write a letter to President Edwards and the Board (with copies to the Faculty Observer and Observer-Elect) seeking help in maintaining rights and faculty expectations and in keeping the process of discussion open. The rest of the meeting was spent working on a draft of this letter acceptable to all committee members in attendance

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matt Rohn