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After considerable discussion, the AGOC remains concerned over the lack of response from the University PRT Committee regarding University PRT criteria/language. Specifically, the utilization of grade distributions in the PRT process may be more than just a procedural change for those seeking tenure and/or promotion and for which this information was not a part of their annual pretenure review. There have been several attempts over the past week to have a meeting between the Chair of the UPRT Committee and the Chair of the AGOC. However, because of scheduling conflicts and spring break the parties have not been able to find a time to discuss the issue.

Additionally, there was discussion regarding inconsistencies between University PRT criteria for promotion and criteria stated in the Faculty Handbook. The ASU Chairs Council made these inconsistencies known to the UPRT Committee in the fall of 2006 and to date, the UPRT Committee has remained silent.

Dr. McDaniel will also follow up with the Chair of the UPRT and the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs & Research regarding this issue.

Finally, there was discussion regarding the ongoing Handbook revisions process with the Chancellor, the VCAAR, and the attorney for the ASU BOT, with members of the AGOC and IGOC. Progress is being made and it would be good if those changes could be carried to the Faculty Senate at it's next meeting in April.