Constituent Advocacy Committee
Annual Report to Policy Committee
April 11, 2002

1. The Constituent Advocacy Committee (CAC) heard no student appeals this year.

2. The Committee considered and forwarded to the Policy Council a revised scope and charge for the CAC. It has been incorporated into the proposed amendments to the Constitution presently under consideration. One important implication is that, if the new scope and charge are approved, separate student appeal hearing processes will be needed at Bloomington and IUPUI campuses.

3. The Committee deliberated about its process for hearing student appeals. Based on the experience of several former chairpersons of the committee, including members Boling, Bonk, and Tracy, a complete revision was undertaken. The result incorporates changes to make the process congruent with campus and university-wide policies and practices as spelled out in Indiana University’s Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct. Revisions were checked with persons in the Dean of Faculties and Dean of Students Offices, and were submitted to the University Attorney’s Office (with no response to date.) The revised appeals process document is on the Policy Council agenda for approval as this report is written.

4. The Committee has provided the Associate Dean for Teacher Education an information framework, to be placed on that office’s web site, for all student appeals. This will enable students to be informed about and initiate appeals within the appropriate process.

CAC Members 2001-2002:
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Elizabeth Boling
Curt Bonk
Lee Ehman  Chair
David Gordon  Graduate Student
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