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Procedure :

- a. **Written Notification:** In order to proceed (defined as a hearing, and if applicable, complainant) will be required to provide written notification of the hearing, indicating the alleged violation, type of board, time and location of the hearing, the name of the respondent, and the name of the board member and witness.

If an respondent has a specific basis to believe that a board member holds no objection to a conflict of interest on behalf of the party, must notify the Office of the Dean of Student Services no later than 48 hours prior to the hearing. If the Office of the Dean of Student Services determines that the existence of a conflict of interest on behalf of the board member in question will be established, and another board member, if available, may be substituted. The decision of the Office of the Dean of Student Services is final.

- b. **Reading of Alleged Violation and Report:** The chairperson will introduce the complainant by reading the alleged violation as it has been proposed to the respondent in the notification and, if appropriate, all other information of the incident report(s) and other relevant material.

- c. **Opening Statement:** Each respondent, representing the complainant (if applicable) will have the opportunity to make a brief opening statement in response to the allegation and/or other relevant material. Opening statement are not required.

- d. **Questioning:** The board member may question the respondent and any appealing witness on all material relevant to the complainant and the hearing. In order to proceed will be allowed to ask relevant questions of the hearing participants. All questioning, however, must be directed to and through the chairperson who will direct the questioning to the respondent. All questioning will be conducted on the basis of the notification of the alleged violation or in appropriate. Witnesses are permitted to proceed in order to the Hearing Board, may speak about how they feel about the case and witness, and have the opportunity to hear the complainant, and will answer any questions posed by the board and by the respondent.



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- e. **Closing Statement** : In closed parties can make a brief closing statement to the Hearing Board. The respondent should provide information presented at the hearing on the point relevant to the complaint. The chairperson may give each party a few minutes to prepare the closing statement.

- f. **Additional Evidence or Witnesses** :