

Per the Supreme Court of Wichita State University Student Government

Advisory Opinion

Decided on: 11/21/19

Per Curiam,

The Court of the Association met on the above day to discuss an advisory hearing request submitted by president, Kitrina Miller. A Senate Review Board proceeding was sent to her office, against the committee chair, that was signed by the entire committee except two members.

According to 2.8 and 2.8.2, the SRB may not make any decision without all members or the Senate Committee's alternate member is in attendance. The journal also states in 4.5.2 a member shall be recused if he/she is the person being reviewed or if a member is the complainant. We the court believe that the member that serves from this committee shall not be the chair member or anyone that signed the letter because that makes them a complainant. There are two members that didn't sign the letter that should be asked to serve on the SRB to serve as this committee's representative. These members aren't in "good standing," but because they are still active members of the senate, they should be asked to participate in the review process. If these committee members choose not to serve on the board, the committee forgoes their ability to serve on the board as to remove bias that may stem from being the respondent or the complainant of the case.

The court rules unanimously on this issue, and one of the two members that didn't sign the letter should be chosen by the committee to represent the committee in this issue.

Signed: *Katherine Berner*

Chief Justice, 11/21/19