

Standing Committee Annual Report

Name of Committee or Council:

Residency Appeals Committee

Chair

Dr. Robert A. Sirk

Meeting Dates in Current Year:

August 16, 2012 and January 10, 2013

Major Actions or Accomplishments:

The charge of the Residency Appeals Committee is to provide advisement and assistance to the Office of Admissions and the Office of the Registrar in the determination of issues concerned with student admission and residency for the purpose of enrollment at Austin Peay State University. The Committee's duties may include: (1) review and recommendation on changes in admissions policy; (2) assistance with questions of community college credit-hour transferability; (3) review of student applications, where those students may not meet admissions criteria of the University; and (4) services as an appeals committee where an student questions their assigned residency classification. Across time, list item No. 4 is effectively the greatest responsibility of the Residency Appeals Committee.

Following its charge the Committee met in two working sessions during the 2012-2013 academic year – a Fall meeting (August 16, 2012) and a Spring meeting (January 10, 2013). Appeal packets were compiled and distributed to Committee members by Ms. Shirley Korbe, Office of the Registrar. During the two sessions the Committee considered 13 student appeals of residency determination by the Office of Admissions and/or the Office of the Registrar. Additionally, it considered 3 appeals in-absentia. As part of consideration and deliberation process of the meetings, the Committee collected additional information and clarification from student oral presentations. Weighing this additional material, the Committee discussed and voted to support the previous determination of non-residency, or to recommend a change in residency status. In summary, the Committee supported retaining non-residency in 7 instances and recommended a change to in-state residency in 9 cases.