

Journalism Advisory Committee  
Meeting September 11, 2020

Present at meeting:

Steven Harris (History and American Studies), Jennifer Mailloux (Psychological Science), Marjorie Och (Art and Art History), Judith Parker (English and Linguistics) Sushma Subramanian (Communication and Digital Studies, ex officio)

Business of meeting:

- The committee was tasked with reviewing the *Blue & Gray Press* Operating Procedure provided by the current editor. At our next meeting, we will discuss any issues arising from our review and, if there are none, we will vote to accept the Operating Procedure.
- We discussed the provision and/or development of a due process procedure to be invoked if "an editor is judged to be deficient in their duties by at least 75% of editorial staff, the Adviser will ask the Journalism Advisory Committee to preside over the decision to remove the editor through a procedure providing appropriate due process" as outlined in III.3 of the "Statement of the University of Mary Washington, University Faculty Council and Journalism Advisory Committee Regarding The Blue and Gray Press" (endorsed by the UFC, April 15, 2019). Specifically, we reviewed some documents from Kent State University, whose student newspaper operating procedure was a valuable resource for the *Blue & Gray Press*' operating procedure, including their operational policy regarding general nonacademic grievance procedure for students. Prior to our next meeting, the committee will investigate possible similar grievance procedures followed by the UMW Office of Student Conduct and Responsibility.
- We discussed the interplay between the charge, advising, and support of the *Blue & Gray Press*. To discuss the associated issues further, we will invite Juliette Landphair, Vice President for Student Affairs and ex officio member of the Journalism Advisory Committee, to attend our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Mailloux  
Journalism Advisory Committee Secretary