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(c) conclude whether there are reasonable grounds to believe that the person against whom the charge is directed committed acts that amount to professional misconduct.

(d) To advise the person filing the charge, and any other appropriate person or groups, of the Committee's conclusion and factual findings.

(e) To recommend to the appropriate University officer, or group, whether action should be taken with respect to the charge, and the nature of such action.

(f) To recommend sanctions less severe than appointment termination where the Committee judges less severe sanctions appropriate.

4.15.3 **Function of Professional Conduct Committee.** The Professional Conduct Committee's function shall be to ascertain facts, to interpret standards of professional conduct applicable to persons engaged in teaching, extension work, research, service, and administration at the University, to apply those standards to the facts, to advise other persons or groups whether a violation of professional conduct has occurred, and to recommend an appropriate sanction, if it concludes a violation has occurred. The Professional Conduct Committee does not have power to impose sanctions, and its findings of fact, interpretations of professional standards, advice, and recommendation are not binding. The Professional Conduct Committee shall not serve as a prosecutor of cases involving alleged violations of professional standards. The Committee acts only in an advisory capacity.

4.16 **“Extraordinary Circumstances Because of Financial Exigencies” and “Financial Exigency” Defined.** As used in Chapter IV of these *Bylaws* the term “extraordinary circumstances because of financial exigencies” or the term “financial exigency” shall mean a bona fide, imminent financial crisis of such magnitude, caused by financial circumstances beyond the control of the Board of Regents, that within a particular major administrative unit (campus) as a whole normal operations cannot be maintained and programs of the major administrative unit must therefore be significantly altered.

**History:** Added, 53 BRUN 80 (12 Dec. 1987)

4.17 **Declaration of a Financial Exigency.** A state of financial exigency may only be found and declared by the Board of Regents upon the recommendation of the President in accordance with policy established by the Board for declaration of a state of financial exigency.

**History:** Added, 53 BRUN 80 (12 Dec. 1987)