WAC 132F-121-210 Student conduct committee initial order. (1) At the conclusion of the hearing, the committee shall permit the vice president for student services and the respondent to make closing arguments in whatever form it wishes to receive them. The committee also may permit each party to propose findings, conclusions, and/or an order for its consideration.

(2) Within thirty days following the later of the conclusion of the hearing or the committee's receipt of closing arguments, the committee shall issue an initial order in accordance with RCW 34.05.461 and WAC 10-08-210. This order shall include findings of fact on all material issues of fact and conclusions of law on all material issues of law - Including which, if any, specific provisions of the student conduct code were violated. Any findings based substantially on the credibility of evidence or the demeanor of witnesses shall be so identified.

(3) The committee's order shall also include a determination on appropriate discipline, if any. If the matter was a referral from the vice president, the committee shall determine any disciplinary sanction. If the matter was an appeal by the respondent, the committee may affirm, reverse, or modify the discipline imposed by the vice president and/or impose any other disciplinary sanction authorized herein.

(4) The committee chair shall cause copies of its order to be served on the respondent, the vice president, the college president, and any legal counsel who have appeared. The committee chair shall also promptly transmit the record of the committee's proceedings to the college president.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.50.100, [28B.50].130, and/or [28B.50].140. WSR 03-16-015, § 132F-121-210, filed 7/28/03, effective 8/28/03.]