

Financial Aid Committee Members Present: COTS Faculty: Barbara Zuck, Brandon Matson, Keith Jensen; CASE Faculty: Gary Succaw, Grant Bowker, Kyra Kaercher; Financial Aid Office: Lourdes Caven, Financial Aid Officer (Ex-officio/non-voting)

**Not Present:** Jenni Pula

**Date of Meeting:** January 15, 2026, 1:00 – 2:00 PM

**Next Meeting:** TBD: Scholarship Focus

**Chair:** Grant Bowker; **Recorder:** Barbara Zuck

**Agenda:** The committee reviewed 8 appeals on January 15. Also, an appeal from January 7, 2026 was approved by the committee via email communications prior to January 15.

	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> APPEAL: UNDERGRADUATE</b>	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> APPEAL: UNDERGRADUATE</b>	<b>GRADUATE</b>	<b>TOTAL NUMBER</b>
<b>APPROVE</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>DISAPPROVE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>INCOMPLETE &amp; RETURNED TO STUDENT OR ADVISOR</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>

Financial Aid Committee members committee disapproved the Satisfactory Academic Program Appeal Forms for one or more of the following reasons:

- The number of Attempt Hours earned by the student is too great to meet federal guidelines; and/or
- The number of Earned Hours by the student is too small when compared to the number of the Attempt Hours earned by the student; and/or
- The GPA earned by the student has remained low over a period of time; and/or
- The student does not meet degree program requirements.

<b>Federal Guidelines: Number Attempt Hours Earned for Financial Aid</b>		
<b>Degree Level</b>	<b>Average Number of Attempt Hours</b>	<b>150% Above Average Number of Attempt Hours</b>
1 Year Certificate	30 Credits	45 Credits
Associate's Degree	65 Credits	98 Credits
Bachelor's Degree	124 Credits	186 Credits