GRADUATE POLICY COMMITTEE
ACTIONS
OCTOBER 14, 1985

MEMBERS PRESENT
Steve Rollin
Russell H. Johnsen
Stuart Baker
William Marzluff
Dianne Montgomery
Shirley Aaron
Bonnie Greenwood
Steve Loflin
Paul Bryant
Thomas Blomberg
Marie Cowart
Steve Edwards
William Haas
Lawrence George
Jayne Standley
Anjaneyulu Krothapalli
Patricia Rose
George Papagiannis
Joseph McElrath
David Rasmussen
John Albright
Jaakko Hintikka
Steve Celec

ALSO PRESENT
Joyce Howard
Donna Wieckowicz

Steve Rollin called the meeting to order at 3:35 PM. The first order of business was further discussion on the majority vote of supervisory committee for the approval of dissertations. Jayne Standley recommended that the Committee reject the entire procedure as outlined in the Review of Doctoral Committee Structure and Function as submitted by Drs. Marzluff and Rollin. She went on to say that the quality control should remain with the departments and not become a bureaucratic procedure. Stuart Baker agreed with Dr. Standley and made a motion to the GPC for the approval of his recommendations which are:

1. Dissertation approval must be unanimous.
2. If a majority of the committee disapprove, the student must rewrite until all approve -- or give up.
3. If there is an impasse, but a majority approve the dissertation, the Dean of Graduate Studies will replace the dissenting member(s) of the committee.
4. Procedures then recycle to item 1. If a second impasse develops, the dissertation is disapproved.
The motion was seconded by William Marzluff. After a lengthy discussion Dr. Rollin called for a vote on the recommendation. There were thirteen yes and five no. Motion carried. The recommendation will be presented to the Faculty Senate for approval.

Steve Rollin opened for further discussion the Review of Doctoral Committee Structure and Function report. Each item of the report was submitted for approval to the Committee. Each item failed.

Steve Rollin then discussed President Merrill Hintikka's previous recommendations made to the GPC at the 9/23/85 meeting. After a brief discussion Dr. Marzluff recommended that item 4 (Coordinating GPC reviews with those mandated by the Board of Regents) should be changed to the year before or after the Board of Regents review. Dr. Rollin will contact the Faculty Senate Steering Committee regarding item 4 and requested the Committee members discuss these recommendations with their colleagues. At a future meeting the item will be placed on the floor for further discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM.