

**GRADUATE POLICY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 28, 1994**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jayne Standley, Chair
Alan Mabe
Ken Brewer
Elizabeth Goldsmith
Gary Kleck
David Rasmussen
Donna Christie
Bob Zmud
Gary Heald
Eric Walker
Walter Moore
Steve Edwards
Tonya Edwards
Stuart Baker
Steve Celec
Dianne Montgomery

ALSO PRESENT:

Donna Wieckowicz
Louise Wechsler
William Laird
Leon Golden

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 P.M. Ms. Standley presented to the GPC for approval the 2/7/94 minutes. There being no objection the minutes were approved as distributed.

Ms. Standley presented to the committee the proposed changes to the Rule for Reconsideration of Denial of Admission to a Graduate Program (Addendum 1) for consideration. Ms. Standley informed the GPC that a policy for reconsideration of denial of readmission, and a timeline for that procedure, does not exist. Mr. William Laird, chair of the Economics Department, discussed this problem with the Faculty Senate Steering Committee who requested that the GPC consider a policy to cover denial of readmission. Ms. Standley pointed out to the committee that two possible changes have been recommended to the existing denial of admission policy that could also cover the requirements for denial of readmission. The first sentence of the present policy would have the words **or readmission** added, which would read as follows:

Applicants to graduate programs who meet minimum standards of admission for the state university system and who are denied admission **or readmission** to a graduate program may request reconsideration of their applications.

The second change involves number 3 of section (b) that would add as the last sentence the following:

This decision shall be final and there shall be no further appeals.

It was **moved** by Mr. Edwards and **seconded** by Mr. Rasmussen to accept the changes as part of the Rule for Reconsideration of Denial of Admission to a Graduate Program (Addendum 1).

Passed

Ms. Standley informed the GPC that the amended rule will be forwarded to the Faculty Senate for further consideration.

Ms. Standley then called upon Mr. Leon Golden, chair of the Humanities Program, to present the feasibility study and request for permission to plan a doctoral program in Classics, which was distributed to the GPC at the meeting. Mr. Golden reported that the Classics Department has long contemplated the establishment of a doctoral program in Classics. During the 1970s the university completed an extensive feasibility study which recommended the establishment of a doctoral program, but it was not implemented at the time because of the SUS moratorium on new graduate programs. The department, while continuing its regional leadership in the training of school teachers, has enjoyed success in sending students to competitive doctoral programs in other states. He further added that with the recent endowment of the Langford Family Eminent Scholar Chair that the research mission of the department has been greatly enhanced.

The floor was opened to discussion. The GPC inquired as to the need for additional faculty. Mr. Golden replied by saying originally two additional faculty positions were needed, but one of those positions has been filled. There being no further discussion Ms. Standley recommended the GPC consider the feasibility study and request for permission to plan a doctoral program in Classics. The recommendation was unanimously **passed**.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.