MINUTES

ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE

March 3, 1995

Present: Anderson, Brothers, Hugenberg (chair), Krishnan, Schuster, Tingley

Absent: Kudav, Morrison, Wess (student)

Excused: Funk, Hoover

The Committee agreed to recommend the following changes in the Credit/No-Credit grading option:

1] To include the grade of "D" in Credit.

2] To change the limit of courses students may use in the CR/NC option from "six courses" to "20 hours" for the baccalaureate degree and from "3 courses" to "10 hours" for the associate degree.

3] To change the language limiting students to "one course a quarter" to "one course at a time."

The Committee agreed to recommend the following change in policy regarding students selecting a major: That students must select a major by the beginning of their 7th quarter or 5th semester at YSU.

The Committee agreed to recommend that YSU adopt the <u>Ohio College Preparation Mathematics</u> statement from The Ohio State University as our policy for mathematics course work. This plan has the endorsement of YSU's Mathematics Department.

These three changes will be forwarded to the Senate for consideration.

We will not meet again until Spring Quarter. Two items we will discuss immediately are: [1] the issue of deficiencies as outlined by Genevra Mann and [2] the materials on Experiential Learning that the Senate has given to us (see report attached to your minutes several weeks ago).

Brothers passed out statewide summative materials on the CR/NC grading option (it is attached if you were not at the meeting).

Hugenberg brought up an issue raised by a student seeking an explanation why students could not repeat courses if they received a "B" or "C" in them. The explanation centers on protecting the integrity of the transcript and to avoid over-inflating the GPA. Hugenberg will contact the student.

There was a brief discussion about why a grade of "D" or "F" is eliminated from the transcript if it is repeated. It causes difficulties in screening students into professional programs. This practice also inflates the student's GPA. The question raised is should the lower grades continue to count in calculating the students GPA? More discussion will occur later.

Please complete the attached availability sheet by March 10. I want to plan our meetings so we can complete as much unfinished business as possible prior to the end of Spring Quarter. Be as careful in reporting your availability as possible so we might avoid late Friday afternoon meetings.