## MINUTES ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE

May 1, 1995

Present: Anderson, Brothers, Funk, Hugenberg (chair), Krishnan, Kudav,

Schuster

Absent: Hoover, Morrison, Tingley, Wess (student)

Hugenberg reported on his discussions with Tom Doctor and Harold Yiannaki regarding plus/minus grading and the new CR/NC policy. Students will be able to take more than one course during the summer quarter (provided they don't overlap). However, SOLAR will not be programmed in time. There will be a manual override provided in the registration area. Students selecting this new policy will receive an message through SOLAR to come to Jones Hall. All affected students will have to go to Jones Hall to take advantage of the new policy. The policy will be integrated into SOLAR during the 1995-1996 academic year. Second, if the Senate adopts a +/- grading option, it could take effect by fall quarter 1996. Doctor suggested that adding two columns [one for + and one for -] would take care of this issue (along with the appropriate computer programming). Hugenberg reported their interest in moving to on-line entry of final grades by faculty.

Hugenberg indicated that Yiannaki would be coming to our meeting on May 8 to discuss experiential learning, credit by exam, CLEP, etc.

The committee is still awaiting feedback from the Deans' Advisory Councils regarding plus/minus grading. There was some feedback from the Dean's Council related to the suggested policy on deficiencies to be forwarded to the Senate [more discussion to follow]. Sweetkind (College of Fine and Performing Arts) was concerned about the policy as it affects his college.

Anderson will be forthcoming with data about the change in policy regarding the number of quarter hours a student may take before needing the chair's and dean's signature. There was a question raised about the monitoring of the current policy and if students can circumvent it. There was some belief that students are registering for more than the permitted hours without the Dean's signature.

Brothers is seeking additional information for the committee regarding policies on other campuses for experiential learning.