MINUTES

ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE

May 22, 1995

Present: Brothers, Funk, Hugenberg (chair), Kudav, Morrison

Absent: Anderson, Hoover, Krishnan, Schuster, Tingley, Wess (student)

Final wording for 4 motions and 1 informative report was prepared. The committee agreed to forward these motions to the Academic Senate during the 15 May meeting; editorial changes in the wording were made during the 22 May meeting. Changes are indicated in bold, italic print.

MOTIONS:

- 1] <u>Deficiencies</u>: "Students entering Youngstown State University with deficiencies in natural science, social science, fine arts, and/or foreign language will satisfy these deficiencies by taking appropriate courses which will count as part of the general education requirements or electives in their degree program as determined by the dean of their college."
- 2] Non-Chartered School Students: "Students from non-chartered schools must present an ACT score of at least 20 for unconditional admission. Students not meeting this level of performance would be considered on a case-by-case basis for conditional admission by the appropriate department chair of the appropriate dean if the student is undetermined."
- 3] Student Load: "Students interested in taking 20 credit hours of more per quarter must seek the approval from the chair of their department and the dean of their college."
- 4] Experiential Learning: "Students gain a body of knowledge through work, life, etc., and it has a value. The Academic Senate supports the creation of a procedure or a set of procedures by the Academic Standards Committee, subject to the Senate's approval at a later date, that enables students the opportunity to receive credit for their experiences."

INFORMATIVE REPORT:

1] Plus/Minus Grading: "The Academic Standards Committee has been working with the idea of plus/minus grading for over a year. The Committee is not prepared to make a formal recommendation to the Senate at this time. The Committee will continue to research this issue and will make a recommendation to the Senate during the next academic year."

The chair thanked all committee members for their efforts this year. It has been a productive year and the committee has accomplished many things to improve the academic standards at Youngstown State University.