Minutes, Academic Standards Committee, Dec. 2, 1997

Attendance: as per attendance sheet.

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson. It was agreed that there would be a rotating secretary. Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

2. The Director of Information Services, William Singleton will be invited to attend the next meeting to explain the steps for the implementation of the new Banner student information and financial resources system. Questions relating to pre-requisite checks were mentioned as important in this regard.

3. Items listed in the minutes of the previous meeting for discussion as issues for spring 1998 were discussed. These included:

   a) reduction of residency requirement for older students, which is presently at 45 credit hours, including 15 in major and 9 in minor. The specific requirements in Business and Education were also discussed. The problem of minimum requirements as mandated by the state for certification (especially for teachers) and the need for "quality control" over the CCSU "label" for graduation were discussed. Questions outstanding included: should we accept 60 credits of transfer from community colleges?

   b) notification of faculty of student withdrawals. The problem arises when faculty approval is also required, or when faculty don't know that a student, listed on an earlier attendance form, has dropped the course.

   c) problems related to the switch-over to the new General Education system. This includes the foreign language requirement.

   d) a report is needed on repeat policies and the results of the application of the new policy.

   e) problems arising from articulation agreements with community colleges, including equivalences. Statistics for this area are needed, and Bob Yanckello will be contacted to provide them.

   f) question of credits per course and course load for students and faculty - to be discussed in February.

Respectfully submitted, David Blitz, Note-taker