SENATE COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS AND STANDARDS
March 11, 2003

Present:
Carolyn Alexander  Dave Bledsoe  Damon Camp
Carol Cohen                                  Harry Dangel  Cathey Eav
Sue Fagan                                   Gerald Gay  Carol E
Hugh Hudson                                Gary Miller  Mike Moore
Fran Mullis                                  John Newman  Ellen Pod
George Rainbolt                              Tim Renick  Rebecca Stout
Diane Weber                                 Gretchen Young

Absent:
Tim Bartness                                Greg Brack  Becky C
Nick Demos                                    Bill Fritz  Johann
Ronald Henry                                  Jan Hudgins  Hattingh
Edward Miles                                  Siva Nathan  Gayle Nelso
Lloyd Nigro                                   Scott Owen  Cherise I
Robert Probst                                 Hazel Scott  Marolyn W
Tim Woltering

Minutes of February 3, 2003
The minutes of the February 3, 2003 meeting were approved as distributed.

Information Items
The Enrollment Management Committee approved two actions to deal with too many students.

1. The Admissions deadlines were moved back from June 1 to March 1 for Fall term and October 15 to November 15 for Spring.

2. Effective Spring 2004, the transfer GPA requirement will increase from 2.3 to 2.5

The Subcommittee on Writing Across the Curriculum passed a motion to add a university-level writing requirement to the graduation requirement effective for degrees awarded Spring 2008. This motion will be considered at the Admissions Standards March 31, 2003 meeting. George indicated this proposal will need a lot of discussion and suggested that it be distributed and discussed within the colleges. George asked for any initial thoughts or reactions.

Sue Fagan expressed concern that the requirement would be effective for degrees awarded Spring 2008 and suggested it be effective for any student who enters GSU Fall 2005 instead. George will check with Cherise Peters to see if there is an issue of it being programmatically difficult for Banner to manage the entrance date rather than the graduation date.
Motion to Change Removal of Incomplete Policy

The committee approved the motion to change the Removal of Incomplete Policy. The language was reviewed by Legal Affairs, and John Marshall reportedly did not see any problems with it.

Sue Fagan inquired if the Office of the Registrar was prepared to handle two separate policies at the undergraduate and graduate level. Since APACE handles Graduate issues, the approved policy will go to APACE for discussion to change the I to F policy at the graduate level to the same as at the undergraduate level.

Motion:
Effective Spring 2003, the current removal of incomplete policy will be changed as indicated:

Removal of an Incomplete. The period of time given to a student to remove a grade of I is established by the instructor, subject only to the maximum time limit set by the university. The university requires that a grade of I be removed not later than the end of the second academic term after the grade of I was assigned (whether or not the student was enrolled during these two terms). The Office of the Registrar will assign a grade of F at the end of the second academic term unless the Office of the Registrar receives an approved change-of-grade form from the instructor. Using the change-of-grad form, instructors may change this F to any authorized academic grade (e.g., A, B, C, D, S, etc.) but may not change it back to an I. In exceptional cases, departments may authorize students to have an I grade for more than two semesters. Such authorizations must be approved by the department chair. The authorization to extend the I beyond two semesters must be renewed each semester. Students need not be enrolled to complete assignments for a course in which a grade of I has been assigned. Auditing or retaking the same course will not remove a grade of I. No student may graduate with an I awarded in the fall of 2003 or thereafter.

Two Information Items On Changes in Admissions Practices to Deal with Workload

Two information items were shared with the committee regarding changed in Admissions practices to deal with workload.

Proposed Changes to the Scholastic Discipline Rules

In order to have discussions and time for consideration, a proposal for changes to the Scholastic Discipline Rules will be voted on at the March 31, 2003 meeting.

The proposed changes will affect student athletes. Carol Cohen reported based on the proposed new policy, GSU would lose 12 student athletes. There are a lot of issues with the new policy including the lack of time to counsel students because of timing of when grades are due and registration.