1. The meeting was called to order at 3:05 P.M. Dean T. Giolas presided.

2. IT WAS MOVED, seconded, and PASSED without dissent on a voice vote to approve as distributed the minutes of the January 25, 1995 meeting.

3. J. Henkel was recognized to move the following:

   AUTHORIZATION TO CONFER GRADUATE DEGREES --

   It is recommended that the degrees of Master of Arts, Master of Business Administration, Master of Dental Science, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Music, Master of Public Affairs, Master of Public Health, Master of Science, Master of Social Work, Doctor of Musical Arts, and Doctor of Philosophy be conferred on those candidates who have satisfied all requirements and have been duly certified by The Graduate School for award of said degrees throughout the conferral periods ending May 21, 1995; August 31, 1995; and December 31, 1995.

   There were several seconds. The motion PASSED without dissent on a voice vote.

4. R. Coons, Chair of the Curricula and Courses Committee, reported on three matters currently being discussed by the Committee:

   * a proposal to modify the current policy concerning the inclusion 200's-level courses on graduate plans of study,

   * a proposal to require that advisory committees for master's degree students include at least one associate advisor who holds a master's-level appointment to the Graduate Faculty in the field of study (currently only the major advisor must hold such an appointment), and

   * a proposal that there be an active and functional coordinator or director of graduate studies in each field of study.

5. E. Murtha-Smith, Chair of the Graduate Admissions and Retention Committee, reported. He presented for discussion and action a proposal to modify graduate-admission categories to facilitate the Provisional admission of academically-qualified international
students who currently cannot be admitted as Regular students (e.g., those whose English language skills are deficient). In addition, the proposal recommends creation of UNCLASSIFIED, SPECIAL, and CERTIFICATE admissions categories to extend graduate-student privileges to qualified individuals who may wish to pursue advanced study on a non-degree or certificate basis.

Murtha-Smith introduced the several components of the proposal. There was discussion of several related matters, including the ITAP and UCAELI programs as well as criteria and standards for certificate programs. L. Strausbaugh recommend that the UCAELI program be revisited.

It was decided by consensus to divide the proposal for the purposes of voting—the international admissions provisions to be considered independently of the unclassified/special/certificate categories.

IT WAS MOVED (G. Maxwell) to accept in concept the Unclassified, Special, and the Certificate categories (as presented on page 6 of the proposal). It was emphasized in the discussion of the motion that students admitted in these categories would be entitled to all privileges currently afforded Regular graduate students. The motion PASSED without dissent on a voice vote.

IT WAS MOVED (E. Murtha-Smith) to accept the modifications and provisions pertaining to the graduate admission of international applicants (as presented on pages 2-5 of the proposal). The motion was seconded (E. Pagoulatos). It was noted that the motion applies only to master's-level admission and that departmental (or program) standards may be higher than the minimum requirements of the Graduate School. The motion PASSED on a voice vote. There were five negative votes and two abstentions.

6. Adjournment was at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas B. Peters
Secretary
PRESENT

Councillors

C. Bruckerhoff  R. Growney  E. Pinner  S. Wisensale
R. Coons      J. Heiss      M. Proser   T. Yang
D. Cooper      B. Lovell    N. Rodriguez
P. Cordeiro    V. Makowsky  P. Rosenberg
V. Cormier     R. Milvae    D. Schroeder
A. Damman (alt) R. Milvae    L. Sloan
G. Epling      J. Morral    L. Strausbaugh
J.A. Grasso    E. Murtha-Smith C. Van Lear
S. Greenspan (alt) E. Pagoulatos M. Wachman

REGRETS:  J. Allen, J. Faris, R. Garfinkel,
E.J. Gubbins, H. Marx, C. Schaefer,
and C. Sirmans

Graduate School

T. Giolas  J. Henkel  G. Maxwell  E. Sellers  T. Peters