Minutes of Educational Policies and Planning Committee

February 28, 1997

David Lawrence (chair) presided.

The minutes of the December 2, 1996, meeting were approved. The chair announced that meetings would be held at noon on March 21, April 4, and April 18.

Agenda items at these meetings consist of a request for permission to plan a BS in criminal justice, requests for permission to establish MS in parks and recreation and BA/BS in multidisciplinary studies, and program review documents for 21 degree programs. The chair informed committee members that he was referring questions about the conflict of interest resolution adopted by the committee to the University attorney's office.

Darryl Davis, dean of the School of Industry and Technology presented the request for permission to establish a PhD in technology studies. Barry Duvall, Bill McPherson, and Elmer Poe were also present to answer questions. Zincone moved that the committee recommend approval of the request for permission to plan the PhD in technology studies. Smith seconded Ferrell expressed concern about library resources, especially journal costs, needed for support of this program as well as new programs in general. After discussion of this and other issues, the motion passed.

Ferrell and Ayers asked that the minutes indicate that they abstained.

Doug Kruger, chair of the Department of construction Management, presented the request for permission to establish a BS in construction management. Darryl Davis was also present to answer questions. Sexauer moved that the committee recommend approval of the request for permission to plan the BS in construction management. Hodson seconded. The motion passed. Ayers asked that the minutes indicate that she abstained.

After discussion about the desirability of placing program review documents on-line rather than printing the large number of copies necessary for committee review, it was decided that there was insufficient time to implement this before the deadline for receipt by committee members. In view of environmental concern the chair of the committee will investigate this possibility for future committee review of lengthy documents. The chair will divide the program reviews and assign groups of three members to report to the full committee on assigned programs.

The committee adjourned at 1:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Ayers