STUDENT ACADEMIC APPELATE COMMITTEE MINUTES 
August 25, 2004

Members Present: Tom Durham, Victor Aeby, Greg Lapicki, Jan Lewis, Janice Neil, Michael Schinasi, Ralph Scott

Members Absent: Ian Baer, George Bailey, Elizabeth Layman, Mario Rey

Guests: Amy Bissette, Maryann Jenkins, Jeni Parker (incoming committee member)

Committee Chair Tom Durham called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Maryann Jenkins presented three financial aid appeals. In the first appeal, the committee granted aid for fall and spring semesters. In the second case, the committee approved the extension of a loan to the student for fall semester; she must come back in January and present her grades to be considered for a loan for spring semester. The committee denied the third appeal.

The committee then heard a variety of appeals presented by Amy Bissette. It denied one request for a retroactive withdrawal and granted three other requests conditioned on the receipt of requested documentation. The committee granted a request for a grade replacement. It granted the same student’s request for reconsideration of the denial of his readmission appeal, voting to readmit the student conditioned on his maintaining a 2.5 average. The committee deferred a ruling on one appeal, pending clarification from the student as to the action being requested from the committee. The committee granted a request for retroactive withdrawal from two spring semester classes and denied a request for a retroactive medical withdrawal.

The committee agreed to reconsider the denial of four readmission appeals. It granted two appeals and denied two. The committee then heard a number of late readmission appeals. It denied 17 appeals and granted two. In one of the denials, the student will be advised to stay out of school for three years and ask to return under the forgiveness policy.

One of the committee members indicated that he would not be able to attend Wednesday afternoon meetings during the fall semester. Committee members were asked to check their calendars to see if the regular committee meeting time could be moved to Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday.

The organizational meeting for the 2004-2005 committee will be held Wednesday, September 1, at 3:00 p.m. in 142 Rawl Annex.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Lewis, Secretary