Academic Standing and Honors Committee

Annual Report

1994/1995

This was a very busy year for this committee as we spent a inordinate amount of time revising internal documents and procedures. Two matters had to be taken to the full Senate for ratification.

The committee approved the proposal to extend by one semester those students in the Academic Opportunity Program by allowing them three semesters to prove themselves before being dismissed academically from the University.

The committee's opinion was requested on two items this year. The committee did not approve the idea of a freshman honors society but did approve the proposal that diplomas would have the major listed on them in the future.

The committee approved the concept of a university wide Dean's list and this was the first item to be submitted to the University Senate. The committee recommended that Oakland University establish a university wide undergraduate Dean's List honoring students who have taken a minimum academic load of 12 credit hours per term and who have earned GPA's of at least 3.6 in each of consecutive Fall-Winter semesters in the same academic year.

This matter was modified by the Senate but substantially the concept as recommended by the Committee was approved. The Senate approved this matter on April 13, 1995

The committee also looked at a proposal from Carole Crum entitled Student Success and approved in concept but did not approve the granting of a third semester to those students on probation.

The last matter that the Committee considered this year was the idea that part time students were being dismissed after only taking 8 credits at Oakland. The Committee suggested to the Senate and the matter will before that body this Fall. The Committee recommends that part time students be allowed to attempt 24 credits before being dismissed from the University.

The members of this committee this year were Louis Bragg, David Lau, Gopalan Srinivasan, Catherine Vincent, Virginia Allen, Carole Crum, Jean Carter, Helen Woodman, Monifa Jumanne, Nancy Schmitz, and Garrick B. Landsberg (student). The Voting members were Bragg, Gaylor, Lau, Srinivasan, Vincent, Allen, and Schmitz.

The Committee in addition to policy procedural matters, handled the regular semester appeal cases amounting to some one hundred appeals.

It was a good year and I as chair thank the committee for their work.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Gaylor, Chair