THE COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON
Charleston, SC 29424

Minutes of the Committee on Academic Standards, Admissions and Financial Assistance

September 18, 1987

Members Present: Jim Anderson, Hugh Haynsworth, Michael Katuna, Michael Morgan, Susan Morrison (chair), Ike Stoneberger.

Others Present: William Lindstrom

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Minutes of the September 4, 1987 meeting were approved.

Student petition: __________ petitioned the committee to include Religious Studies 201 and 202 in the list of courses provided as an alternative for the language requirement. __________ had earlier been granted permission to substitute four courses from an approved list in lieu of the language requirement. The above courses were deleted from a list proposed by Prof. Schenck, with an explanation that the courses were taught in the department of his major. The philosophy department wrote to indicate this was not the case and to support petition. Prof. Katuna felt the courses should not be approved, as they had been taken prior to the original petition (transferred from another institution). The petition was approved (4 to 1).

Discussion followed as to what courses and conditions were appropriate for a student's alternative program and whether a previously approved program could be used by any student who subsequently successfully petitioned for alternatives to the language requirement. While the precedent of a previously approved list may have some bearing on a case, each student petition is treated separately. No consensus was reached on needed action.

Honors for three-year option students: Based on the recommendation of a sub-committee, two motions were adopted by the committee. They are:

"To increase the number of credit hours of College of Charleston coursework required to be eligible for graduation with honors from 60 to 90." (Approved unanimously.)

"For the purpose of calculating GPA for graduation with honors, all coursework taken at the College of Charleston will be included in that calculation." (Approved by a vote of 4-1.)

Both motions will be presented to the faculty for their action.