MEMBERS PRESENT
Dr. Lloyd Dawe - Dean, School of Graduate Studies - Council Chair
Dr. John Courington - School of Business
Dr. Leigh Holmes - School of Graduate Studies
Dr. Dennis Cates - School of Education and Behavioral Sciences
Dr. Lawrence Weinstein - Department of Psychology & Human Ecology
Dr. Sivarama Krishnan - Department of Business
Mr. Reginald Severin - Student Representative
Dr. Margie McMahan - Teacher Education Council (Ex-Officio - Nonvoting)
Dr. Scott Peterson - MS Graduate Coordinator (Ex-Officio - Nonvoting)

MEMBERS ABSENT
Dr. Margery Kingsley - School of Liberal Arts
Dr. Abbas Johari - School of Science and Technology
Dr. Betty Criscoe-Lanasa - Department of Education
Ms. Lori Purcell - Student Representative
Dr. Suzanne Clinton - Dean of International Business Studies (Ex-Officio - Nonvoting)
Dr. Marcy Blackburn - MEd Graduate Coordinator (Ex-Officio - Nonvoting)
Dr. Mark Reid - MA Graduate Advisor (Ex-Officio - Nonvoting)
Ms. Lisa Wolfe - MBA-On Campus Graduate Coordinator (Ex-Officio - Nonvoting)

1. Call to Order
   The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Dr. Lloyd Dawe.

2. Approval of Minutes
   Dr. Weinstein moved to accept the minutes of the April 18, 2002 meeting with one amendment.
   Dr. Holmes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Announcements
   Dr. Dawe announced that Fall enrollment for Graduate School is up 20% over the same
time last year.

   Dr. Dawe provided an update on the USMC - MBA expansion. He indicated that State
accreditation exemptions were granted for Georgia, North Carolina, and South
Carolina, but an application would have to be filed for Virginia. He also announced that the NCA application had been completed and forwarded to the accrediting body. The submission of VA accreditation for Georgia, South Carolina, and Virginia had to be completed.

4. Old Business

A. Council discussed and provided guidance regarding the credit transfer policy. It was the consensus of the Council that the Graduate School should remain as flexible as possible regarding the transfer of credit because of the characteristics of Cameron's student population. The Council decided that only courses that are applicable to a program should be transferred; that students could transfer up to 12 hours of work per "degree" program; and that if transferred credits expired due to the 6 year rule, additional credits should be permitted to be transferred. Dr. Dawe agreed to re-word the transfer policy and to bring it back to Council for ratification.

B. The issue of whether or not courses are being taught at the graduate level was discussed. This issue came up in response to a number of students' complaints that courses were not of a high standard, and in response to the changing of three English courses were previously dual-listed graduate courses to the 2000 level. A proposal was considered to have faculty submit syllabi to Graduate Council, but it was decided that the appropriate level at which such a review should take place is departmental. The Council agreed that greater care should be taken to ensure that all new courses coming before Graduate Council be considered regarding the appropriateness of the standards for graduate education.

C. There was no other old business.

5. New Business

A. The Department of English presented a request to drop 3 dual-listed (i.e., GR) courses. Following discussion, Dr. Holmes moved that the courses be dropped. Dr. Krishnan seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

B. Dr. Dawe presented a request to add a new graduate level UNIV course to be used in support of the previously adopted OSLEP policy. The course could be used by departments that do not have graduate courses and wish to offer an occasional graduate-level workshop or seminar. After discussion, Dr. Weinstein moved that the course be adopted. The motion was seconded by Dr. Holmes and was passed unanimously.

C. Dr. Dawe presented a proposal to Graduate Council to consider regarding enrolling for thesis credit. The proposal was for students who are working on thesis credit during any semester to be required to enroll in a thesis course, even if this meant going beyond the 6 hours that can be applied toward a master's degree plan of study. Several issues were discussed among the Council members
including how students could currently enroll in the same course multiple times yet only have it applied once toward their plan of graduate study, and how this proposed policy would accurately record what students are doing. This item was tabled for further consideration.

D. Dr. Dawe brought to the Council’s attention a request to consider the criteria being employed to determine permanent graduate faculty membership. Specifically, it had come to his attention that some departments and schools were employing a subset of the overall criteria adopted by Council. A general issue that would have to be considered is whether or not different sets of criteria should be used by different groups across campus. If Graduate Council wanted this then the policy should be written to reflect this practice. This item was tabled for future consideration.

E. Dr. Dawe dismissed all non-voting members of Graduate Council for presentation of the dismissal appeal of Mr. Harris to the voting members. Written documentation was provided to the Council members and a presentation was made by Mr. Harris. Discussion followed. Dr. Weinstein made a motion to deny the student’s appeal and to uphold the dismissal. Dr. Krishnan seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

F. The dismissal appeal of Mr. Dunaway was considered. Written documentation was provided to the Council members and a presentation was made by Mr. Dunaway. Discussion followed. Dr. Weinstein made a motion to grant the student’s appeal. Dr. Holmes seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. The Council also recommended that all references to the courses on the transcript be removed, and that tuition charges associated with the courses be waived.

G. There was no other new business.

6. Set Next Meeting -- the next meeting will be on September 19, 2002 at 3:30

7. Meeting Adjourned – 5:40 p.m.