MEMBERS PRESENT
Dr. Lloyd Dawe - Dean, School of Graduate Studies - Council Chair
Dr. Margery Kingsley - School of Liberal Arts
Dr. Terrence Paridon - Department of Business
Dr. Kurtis Koll - School of Graduate Studies
Ms. Jennifer Batka - Student Representative
Dr. Abbas Johari - School of Science and Technology
Dr. Barbara Griffin - MEd Graduate Coordinator (Ex-Officio)
Dr. Scott Peterson - MS Graduate Coordinator (Ex-Officio)
Ms. Lisa Wolfe - MBA-On Campus Graduate Coordinator (Ex-Officio)
Dr. Anita Hernandez - Teacher Education Council Rep (Ex-Officio)

MEMBERS ABSENT
Dr. John Courington - School of Business
Dr. Lawrence Weinstein - Department of Psychology & Human Ecology
Ms. Julia Paul - Student Representative
Dr. Dennis Cates - School of Education and Behavioral Sciences
Dr. Suzanne Clinton - Dean of International Business Studies (Ex-Officio)
Dr. Sharon Brady - MA Graduate Advisor (Ex-Officio)

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 3:33 p.m. by Dr. Lloyd Dawe. Dr. Barbara Griffin was appointed to proxy for Dr. Dennis Cates for this meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes
Dr. Johari moved to accept the minutes of the February 19, 2004 meeting with corrections and Dr. Koll seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Announcements
Dr. Dawe announced the Faculty Handbook is in the revision stage and encouraged Council to review this document.

Old Business
There was no old business.

5. New Business
   A. Dr. John Batka's permanent faculty status was reviewed for reappointment. Discussion followed. Dr. Johari moved to accept the appointment and Dr. Paridon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
Dr. Stanley Bursten's permanent faculty status was reviewed for reappointment. Discussion followed. Dr. Johari moved to accept the appointment and Dr. Kingsley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Lloyd Dawe's renewal for permanent graduate faculty status was reviewed. Discussion followed. Dr. Johari moved to accept the renewal appointment and Dr. Paridon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Dr. Sullivan was scheduled to address the Council, but was unable to attend the meeting. He sent an e-mail that was distributed to the Council for consideration. He will address the items at the next Graduate Council meeting in April. Council briefly discussed the items mentioned in the e-mail.

C. The non-voting members of the Graduate Council were dismissed by Dr. Dawe so that the voting members could consider an appeal of dismissal. This agenda item was tabled at the last meeting to give the student a chance to address the Council. The student’s letter of appeal was distributed and she was asked to address the Council and answer some questions. The student was excused from the meeting and discussion followed. A motion was made by Dr. Kingsley to remove the dismissal statement on Ms. Tanya Castro’s transcript. Dr. Johari seconded this motion. The dismissal was removed by a majority vote of 4 in favor and 2 opposed. Dr. Kingsley made a motion for the following conditions for further enrollment:

- During the next terms of enrollment the student must enroll in six hours of graduate credit. Each term she must take one of the remaining business core classes and one business elective course. She must earn an “A” in one of the two courses and earn a “B” or better in the other business course to be eligible to continue her enrollment. If these conditions are not met, dismissal from Graduate School will be reinstated.

Dr. Johari seconded the motion for the conditions for continued enrollment. The motion passed by a majority of five to one.

D. A memo to Dr. Dawe was distributed documenting 3 instances of academic misconduct against Ms. Elsa Rodriguez-Roth (MBA) by Dr. Suzanne Clinton. The student resides in Belgium and was unavailable by phone. A statement of apology and explanation from the student was distributed. The Council discussed the issue. It was noted that although there were three instances of academic misconduct documented, they all occurred at one time. It was further noted that the spirit of the academic misconduct policy was to afford students an opportunity to learn from their mistakes. In that light, a motion was made by Dr. Kingsley to remove the dismissal action from the academic transcript but to maintain academic suspension of the student for the Summer 2004 and Fall 2004 terms. In keeping with the policy on Sanctions for Academic Misconduct, the student is to receive a “U” grade for each of the three CDRs plagiarized, and a statement of “Suspended for Academic Misconduct” was to be placed on her transcript. The motion was seconded by Dr. Paridon and was passed unanimously.

6. Set Next Meeting -- the next meeting will be on April 15, 2004 at 3:30.

7. The meeting adjourned at 5:35pm.