Professional Standards Committee Minutes November 5, 1997

Present: Breitenbach, Bristow, Butcher, Cooney, Hale, Hanson, Ragan (chair), Sorensen

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

The minutes of the meeting of October 29, 1997, were approved.

The committee briefly discussed possible meeting times for the spring semester.

The committee turned next to its continuing business: discussing their vision of the document on "University Evaluation Criteria." Cooney distributed informal comments from Faculty Advancement Committee members, prepared in response to a PSC request, on what they regarded as signs of effective teaching. Butcher distributed an outline of the section on teaching in the current version of the "University Evaluation Criteria." The committee then discussed possible modifications of the organization and content of this section. There seemed to be an emerging consensus about desired organizational changes, but less agreement about content, especially about whether the section on teaching should be written from the perspective of teaching or learning. A subcommittee (Bristow, Butcher, and Hale) was appointed to draft a revision of the section on teaching.

The meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William Breitenbach