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**MINUTES  
COUNCIL OF DEANS' MEETING  
September 9, 1997**

Present: Ivarie, Hitch, Johnson, Wall, Evans, Lanham, Hine, Weidner

**1. LAN connections**

The Academic Affairs area has a few "free" LAN connections available. Requests for these connections should be sent, in writing, to Dr. Weidner.

**2. Writing Competency Examination Summary**

The Writing Competency Exam and proposals for modifications were discussed.

**3. Distributed computer support**

The proposed distributed computer support is not meant to replace the current system but to find a support person for the college/unit. Dr. Weidner explained how the system might work and urged deans to begin identifying the type of person needed for their area.

**4. Graduate programs/administrative structure review**

Dr. Weidner discussed proposals for the following: (1) a task force to look at the administrative structure of the graduate school will be appointed; (2) a mission and scope committee will be appointed to develop a specific mission statement for graduate education; (3) a graduate program assessment will be conducted by deans.

**5. Acting Dean, Graduate School**

Dr. Bob Augustine has been appointed as acting dean. This will be a 50% appointment.

**6. HECA/Craft**

The HECA grant for the Percy Julian Program was not funded by the IBHE for the coming year. The Minority Teacher Enhancement Program HECA grant funding was increased for the coming year.

**7. Media Services draft policy for equipment repair**

Dean Lanham distributed and discussed a draft policy for equipment repair developed by Media Services. The topic of funding for equipment repair will be placed on the deferred agenda.