

## **Minutes of the Graduate Faculty Meeting, May 3,1999**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Madison at 3:30 pm.

A proposal to redirect graduate student stipends such that full tuition waivers will be given was forwarded by Clifton Merrow. G K Patterson moved to approve the idea in principle and it was seconded by M. van de Mark. The motion carried. The chair will appoint a committee to work out the details for a proposal to the administration.

The MS degree in Systems Engineering was presented by Cihan Dagli. The degree will be joint with the Univ. of Southern California. They have the degree already. Each university grants its own degree. Nine hours of course transfer between the universities are requested by Boeing Corp. The new degree program will reside in the School of Engineering and will be administered jointly by Basic Eng., Electrical and Computer Eng., Computer Science, Mechanical and Aerospace Eng. and Eng. Mech., and Engineering Management. It will entail 30 hours of coursework and be a non-thesis degree. The degree is scheduled to begin August 1999. See [www.incose.org](http://www.incose.org) for more information.

The Stipend X was discussed. The amount for 1999-2000 will be \$26,500 for 100% effort. Nick Knight moved that we recommend that the stipend be increased by use of enhancement funds. Paul Stigall seconded. The motion passed.

The May graduates were approved as listed.

The election of officers resulted in Don Madison being returned as chair and Gary Patterson as secretary.

There was no new business.

Submitted, Gary Patterson, Secretary