

**Council of Academic Deans
October 31, 2006**

Summary and Action Items

- Curriculum Proposals: Dr. Habingreither presented a brief rationale for the proposal to change the name of the Department of Engineering and Technology to the School of Engineering and a Department of Technology; Dr. Sriraman presented a brief overview of the addition of a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering; Ms. Simchak presented a brief overview of the deletion of the Bachelor of Arts International Studies-Russian/East European Studies. The Council approved all three proposals.

- New UPPS – Policy Regulating Tuition Fee Waivers and Exemptions (RTA from 10/17/06): Dr. Heintze asked the Council for feedback on the policy that was distributed to CAD at the October 17th meeting. UPPS will be processed for approval through the UPPS cycle.

- 2007 All-USA College Academic Team: Dr. Thorne briefly discussed Texas State nominating a student for the team. She distributed a handout of the criteria that also included a nomination form. She would like for the nomination to be coordinated and submitted from her office. She will send an e-mail to all Deans requesting their nominations. Nominations are due November 30th.

- Round Table Discussion on Ideas and Recommendations to Increase Graduate Enrollment: Dr. Williamson discussed and distributed a handout regarding ways to increase graduate enrollment. Handout includes efforts by the Graduate College to promote the graduate programs that Texas State has to offer. Dr. Heintze also discussed ways to recruit students to graduate school and presented the Graduate Student Recruitment Model. Also handed out by Dr. Heintze was an article from Penn State regarding recruiting excellent students to their graduate programs. Dr. Moore will schedule a meeting with each dean individually to discuss ways to increase graduate students in each of their departments and to arrest the decline in graduate student numbers.