MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ON GRADUATE STUDIES October 7, 2008

The Council on Graduate Studies met at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7, 2008 in 3108 Blair Hall.

Members present: Dean Augustine, Dr. Dively, Dr. Emmett, Dr. Laursen, Ms. Lienhop, Dr. Liu, Dr. Raybin, Dr. Taylor, and Dr. Veale

Members absent: Dr. Hanlon and Mr. Kahler

Staff present: Mr. Rodney Ranes and Ms. Barter

Guests present: None

I. Approval of the September 16, 2008 Meeting Minutes
Dr. Veale moved and Dr. Emmett seconded the motion to approve the September 16, 2008 meeting minutes as published. The motion carried unanimously.

I. Communications

a. College Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes
   1. Wednesday, September 24, 2008, Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes.
   2. Friday, September 19, 2008, College of Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes.
   4. Friday, October 3, 2008, College of Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes.

b. Executive Actions
   None

IV. Items to be Added to the Agenda
Chair Raybin asked the council members to consider setting aside the two week waiting period and add agenda items 08-26, 08-27, and 08-28 to the agenda at the current meeting. Dr. Taylor moved and Dr. Veale seconded the motion to add item 08-26 to the agenda, the motion carried unanimously. Dr. Emmett moved and Dr. Dively seconded the motion to add item 08-27 to the agenda, the motion carried unanimously. Dr. Veale moved and Dr. Taylor seconded the motion to add item 08-28 to the agenda, the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Raybin then asked the council members to consider discussion of agenda items 08-26 and 08-27. Ms. Lienhop moved and Dr. Taylor seconded the motion to discuss item 08-26 at the current meeting, the motion carried unanimously. Dr. Liu moved and Dr. Laursen seconded the motion to discuss item 08-27 at the current meeting, the motion carried unanimously.
1. **08-26, Waiver Appeal, Reinstatement to Degree Candidacy**

Dean Augustine presented the request for reinstatement to degree candidacy from a student in the M.A. Economics program.

After discussing the student’s request, Chair Raybin called for a vote. The vote carried unanimously to reinstate the student in degree candidacy in the M.A. Economics program effective **Fall 2008**.

2. **08-27, International Student Admission Policy Revisions**

Dean Augustine presented the revisions to the international student admission policy and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved as published effective **Summer 2009**.

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<td>• MELAB (Michigan English Language Assessment Battery): Submission of a score of 77 or higher</td>
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3. **08-28, ECN 5433, Applied Econometrics**

Chair Raybin stated this proposal would be reviewed at the October 21 meeting.
V. Items to be Acted On
None

VI. Other Items
None

VII. Dean’s Report
Dean asked the council members if they had any questions or concerns to discuss with him. After no response Dean Augustine proceeded with his report.

1. Enrollment Update – ten day count
   Dean Augustine presented the council members with a report of ten day count for the period of Fall 1999 to Fall 2008.

2. Graduate Alumni Event, Oak Brook, Illinois
   Dean Augustine reported the event was a success, he enjoyed meeting the graduate alumni in the Chicago area, the facilities are very nice, and he and Dean Jackman are planning another event to be held in Oak Brook.

3. Graduate Alumni Advisory Board Meeting – October 11
   Dean Augustine shared the agenda with the council members. He stated the President and the Provost will greet the board. He stated there have been seven outstanding alumni nominated. The board will elect a new chair and vice chair October 11 and plan to hold the meeting in Doudna Fine Arts in Dean Johnson’s conference room.

4. Homecoming Activities, Tent City – October 18
   Dean Augustine invited the council members to visit the Graduate School tent during the Homecoming festivities.

5. Thesis & Non-Thesis Awards – response from campus
   Dean Augustine announced he plans to meet with the committee for the Non-Thesis Awards on Friday, October 10. Those on the committee are Mr. Paul Johnston, Graduate Coordinator, Music; Dr. John Willems, Graduate Coordinator, Business Administration; Dr. Mukti Upadhyay, Graduate Coordinator, Economics; and Ms. Kelly Shore, Graduate Candidate, Elementary Education.

The council briefly discussed the First Choice application and approval process.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. Linda Barter, Coordinator

************** ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT MEETING **************
Tuesday, October 21, 2008
************** 3108 Blair Hall **************

Agenda:
1. 08-28, ECN 5433, Applied Econometrics