MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ON GRADUATE STUDIES

The Council on Graduate Studies met at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15, 2008 in 3108 Blair Hall.

Members present: Dean Augustine, Dr. Conn, Dr. Elder, Mr. Kahler, Dr. Liu, Dr. Nelson, Mr. Ranes, Dr. Raybin, and Dr. Taylor

Members absent: Dr. Herrington-Perry, Dr. Morford, and Mr. Harris

Staff present: Ms. Barter

Guests present: Mr. Glenn Hild, Art; Dr. Cheryl Noll, MBA; Dr. Ryan Hendrickson, Political Science; and Dr. Mike Havey, Psychology

Note: Agenda items were taken out of order to accommodate guests.

I. Other Items

1. First Choice Review – School Psychology
   Review Board Chair Elder and Dean Augustine discussed the review process with the council members and announced to Dr. Havey the School Psychology Program has been approved as a First Choice Program.

2. Dr. Elder raised the issue the First Choice document needed to be amended to reflect procedures that have evolved during our first year of program evaluation or the procedures should be changed to reflect the wording of the document. The discrepancy lies in the role of the whole Council in the evaluation of the First Choice final report: Should the council as a whole act as secondary evaluators or should the report simply be provided as an informational item.

   The Council agreed some interested members would meet with Dean Augustine early in the summer to discuss this issue and recommend a course of action to be decided early in the fall semester.

II. Dean’s Report

1. North Central Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois – Dean Augustine reported that he, Dr. Costa, and Mr. Ranes attended the NCA Conference and presented A Quality Improvement Initiative for Graduate Programs: First Choice Graduate Program Criteria to approximately 30 conference attendees.

Note: Dean Augustine left the meeting at 2:40 p.m.
III. Items to be Acted On

1. 08-19, ART Proposal

Mr. Hild presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Fall 2008.

ART 5100  Special Studies I (0-4-2)
ART 5500  Studies in Contemporary Printmaking I (0-6-3)
ART 5561  Studies in Contemporary Printmaking II (0-6-3)
ART 5571  Studies in Ceramics I (0-6-3)
ART 5572  Studies in Ceramics II (0-6-3)
ART 5600  Special Studies II (0-2 to 4-1 to 2)
ART 5610  Studies in Drawing I (0-6-3)

ART 5611  Studies in Drawing II (0-6-3)
ART 5671  Studies in Sculpture I (0-6-3)
ART 5672  Studies in Sculpture II (0-6-3)
ART 5702  Studies in Painting III (0-6-3)
ART 5771  Studies in Metalsmithing I (0-6-3)
ART 5772  Studies in Metalsmithing II (0-6-3)
ART 5801  Studies in Weaving I (0-6-3)
ART 5802  Studies in Weaving II (0-6-3)

2. 08-17, PLS 5001, Research in Political Science (New Course Proposal)

Dr. Hendrickson presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Fall 2008.

PLS 5001. Research in Political Science. (1-0-1) F, S. Introduces political science graduate students to the role of graduate research and research training in the discipline of political science. Topics to be examined include the value of cumulative research, research methodology, case studies, interview research methods, the potential for policy relevant research, publishing in political science, and the connection between scholarship and teaching in the field. Prerequisite(s): Must have graduate status in Political Science. Course may be repeated a maximum of two times.

3. 08-18, M. A. in Political Science Proposed Revisions

Dr. Hendrickson presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Spring 2009. See Attachment A.

4. 08-11, MBA 5000, Strategic Management (New Course Proposal)

Dr. Noll presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Fall 2008.

MBA 5000. Strategic Management. (3-0-3) F, S. The major functions of top management, the major problems that affect the success in the total organization, and the decisions that determine the direction of the enterprise. Heavy emphasis on the ethical-social responsibility with implications in strategic decision making, including value chain analysis, and internal, external, and global considerations. Includes case studies, special reports, and seminar discussion of firm management problems. Prerequisite(s): none.

5. 08-12, MBA 5510, Business Research Methods (Revised Course Proposal)

Dr. Noll presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Spring 2009.
MBA 5510. Business Research Methods. (3-0-3) S, On demand. Business research methodology including the meaning of research, its sequential development, types and steps of the scientific method applied to business. Practical and academic applications are explored. Prerequisite(s): MBA 5500 or permission of Graduate Business Studies Coordinator. Co-requisite: MBA 5515.

6.08-13, MBA 5515, Business Research Proposal (New Course Proposal)
Dr. Noll presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Fall 2008.


7.08-14, MBA 5900, Management Simulation (New Course Proposal)
Dr. Noll presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Fall 2008.

MBA 5900. Management Simulation. (3-0-3) F, S, S. Emphasis is on integrative decision making. Utilizes a national recognized simulation widely used in university program and in industry. Special reports and seminar discussion of outcomes and review of functional topics. Prerequisite(s): Admission to the MBA program and completion of MBA 5605, MBA 5640, and MBA 5660

9.08-15, MBA 5905, Business Research Project (New Course Proposal)
Dr. Noll presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Fall 2008.

MBA 5905. Business Research Project. (Arr.-Arr.-3) S, On demand. Applied Second phase of the business research project where the student is engaged in intensive investigation of a topic in cooperation with an approved member of the graduate faculty. Prerequisite(s): MBA 5510, MBA 5515 and consent of approved instructor and approval of a completed application by the Graduate Business Studies Coordinator. Course may be repeated for a maximum of six hours.

10. 08-16, MBA Proposed Program Revisions
Dr. Noll presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

The proposal was approved unanimously with an effective date of Fall 2008. See Attachment B.

IV. Approval of the April 1, 2008 Minutes
The April 1, 2008 Meeting Minutes were approved unanimously as published.

V. Communications
1. Friday, March 21, 2008, College of Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes.
3. Friday, April 4, 2008, College of Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes.
4. Wednesday, April 9, 2008, Lumpkin College of Business & Applied Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes.

VI. Approved Executive Actions
1. Dean Diane Hoadley, LCBAS, requests the following be approved by executive action to be effective Fall 2008. This was approved by executive action at the Lumpkin College of Business & Applied Sciences Curriculum Committee meeting on March 3, 2008.
Delete course from catalog: MBA 5890, Administrative Policy. Course is to be replaced with MBA 5900, Management Simulation.

VII. Items to be Added to the Agenda
None

VII. Other Items
1. Election of 2008-2009 Officers
Chair Costa requested a motion to fill the 2008-2009 Chair and Vice Chair positions.

   Dr. Nelson moved and Dr. Elder seconded the motion to nominate Dr. David Raybin as Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

   Dr. Raybin moved and Dr. Elder seconded the motion to nominate Dr. Lisa Taylor as Vice Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Costa congratulated the new officers and thanked the members for their continued hard work for the many items accomplished this year; among those were the thesis manual, First Choice Initiative, and the awards subcommittees.

IX. Committee Reports
1. Textbook Rental – Dr. Raybin reported the committee met to discuss seeking private donors to construct a new building on Edgar Drive.

2. CASL – Dr. Taylor reported the committee met but no new information to report.

3. ATAC – Dr. Conn reported the committee will meet Friday, April 18.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.                                      Linda Barter, Coordinator

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT MEETING
Tentative Date - Tuesday, September 2, 2008
3108 Blair Hall

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