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The Graduate Council

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Thursday, November 10, 2005, 3:40 p.m., Lang 115

Present: Etscheidt, Joslyn, Jurgenson, MacLin, Moore, Nelson, Prophet, Rajendran, Thompson

Absent: Bozylinsky, Hensley, Koch, Mack, Petersen, Pohl, Walker, Wallingford

Guests: Dr. John Fecik, Diane Wallace-Registrar’s Office

1. Minutes from October 27, 2005
Nelson moved to accept the minutes as distributed. Motion was seconded and passed.

2. Announcements from the Chair of the Council
MacLin suggested moving the last meeting of the semester from December 8 to December 1. The Graduate Council and the Graduate College will host a reception for David Walker after the Council meeting. Dr. Walker will step down at the end of this semester after 17 years as Associate Dean of the Graduate College.

The President of the Board of Regents, Michael Gartner, requested that a graduate faculty representative serve on the UNI presidential search committee. MacLin submitted the names Koch, Wallingford and MacLin as possible members of the committee.

3. Graduate College Reports
Joslyn reported that the first issue of the graduate student newsletter, The Graffito, is available on the Graduate College website. A faculty newsletter, The Preceptor, will be published before the end of the semester.

4. Chair of the Graduate Faculty Report
No report.

5. Subcommittee Report: Constitution Language Review
The subcommittee to research the Graduate Faculty Constitution regarding conflicts of interest distributed a proposed amendment for consideration. Since any changes to the
Constitution will have to be approved by the graduate faculty, MacLin suggested the committee review the entire Constitution and bring any suggestions for change back to the Council.

Joslyn distributed copies of the Graduate College Curriculum Committee Report and highlighted a few of the curricular changes. Jurgenson moved to approve the report. Motion was seconded and passed. The report will be forwarded to the Faculty Senate.

7. Information/Discussion: Graduate Education Strategic Planning
MacLin distributed copies of the draft mission, goals and objectives for Graduate Education at UNI. At the last Strategic Planning meeting, no objectives were identified for Goal #1. After discussion of possible objectives, MacLin indicated she will email the goal to Council members and ask for suggestions.

8. Other Business
None.

9. Adjournment
Rajendran moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Uehle
Secretary