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# UNI Graduate Council Minutes #881

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Present: Bankston, Chao, Coulter, Dedrick, Doody, Durham, Hanson, Smaldino, Sohl, Utz, Walker, Wallingford

Absent: Bozylinsky, Bruess, Jackson, Raiklin, Somervill

Visitors: Philip East (Computer Science); Wendell McConnaha (Price Lab)

Doody moved that minutes #880 be approved as published. Motion was seconded by Durham and passed.

Bankston reported that a letter has been sent to the deans, department heads, and graduate coordinators concerning the changes in graduate assistant stipend policy about variable stipends. For the change to take effect, the Graduate College must be notified prior to the end of January 1999 if a program plans to increase the amount of the stipend.

Bankston stated that the committee has developed the evaluation instrument for Dean Somervill's five-year review. It will be ready for distribution in the Spring.

East, the Graduate Council representative on the Strategic Planning Committee, reported that the committee is currently seeking input for recommendations for the strategic plan. The committee would like to simplify the process and develop general goals with specific initiatives. If you have suggestions, please notify Philip East or the Strategic Planning Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stejskal  
Secretary