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Present: Chao, Crew, Das, Durham, East, Fahmy, Hill (for Clohesy), Quirk, Walker

Absent: Decker, Ishler, V. Jackson, Lew, Safford, Somervill, Yohe

Minutes #833 were approved as published.

Walker reported that Somervill is on a recruiting trip in New Orleans. He said that the Distinguished Scholar Award recommendation will be discussed at the November 10 meeting. He reminded everyone that November 1 is the deadline for Summer Fellowship applications and November 15 is the deadline for PDL applications. Walker reported that the Outstanding Thesis and Dissertation Committee is reading the papers submitted.

Fahmy said that he had a request from Ishler for the Council to discuss Graduate Faculty loads. Das said that in Business, the dean has the authority to assign work loads. Fahmy said that in CNS, the department head has jurisdiction in that area. Das questioned why the Council would discuss this when it had no power to act. Fahmy said that suggestions might be helpful to those making load decisions. Durham moved to table discussion until Ishler is here to express her ideas and reasons for requesting the discussion. Motion was seconded and passed.

Fahmy asked for suggestions for future agenda items. Das requested that graduate class size limits and minimums be discussed and said that in Business there is a minimum of 7 students needed to offer a class. He said that class size on the low end is a budget problem and class size on the high end is a quality problem. East suggested having reports from various graduate programs or departments on campus to get an overview of what is going on in other areas. Walker said that maybe the Graduate Coordinators could speak. Durham suggested contacting them to see who would be interested. It was suggested that the premier programs be requested to make presentations. Quirk said that the student outcomes assessment could be discussed. Fahmy suggested information on the graduate program external reviews.

Quirk announced that a delegation from Moscow Linguistic University will be here next week.

Durham moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hesse
Secretary

Next meeting will be November 10 at 3:30 p.m. in Seerley 3