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UNI Graduate Council Minutes #797

September 26, 1991

Present: Berg, Clayson, Durham, Fahmy, V. Jackson, Jones, Lew, Maier, Mills, Quirk (for Martin), Safford, S. Smaldino, Somervill, Swensen, Walker

Absent: Yohe

Visitors: Nancy Marlin (Vice President and Provost)

Minutes #796 were approved after noting that Victoria DeFrancisco (Communication and Theatre Arts) should have been included in the list of visitors. Also Walker noted that at this time Vice President Marlin was supporting only the November grant writing workshop. The spring workshop is still in the planning stages.

Dean Somervill announced that a meeting of the Graduate Coordinators had been held and that John Fecik will be the liaison for the Graduate Coordinators to the Graduate Council. He said that there were 439 full-time and 734 part-time graduate students this fall. The full-time enrollment was identical to last year but the number of part-time students increased, resulting in another record enrollment.

Jackson said that she and Pam MacKay (Registrar's Office) will be scheduling an orientation session for new Graduate Coordinators. She also said that the new probation/suspension policy should be reviewed and that faculty should make sure that all graduate students are aware of the policy change.

Walker said that he has been meeting with departments and individual faculty concerning grants. The workshop will be November 12 and 13. There will be four thematic sections: Education, Science, Humanities and Fine Arts, and Applied (Business). Opportunities, grantsmanship, and agencies most appropriate to each area will be discussed. The sessions will be videotaped. Walker distributed the guidelines for the Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools Distinguished Master's Thesis Award and for the UNI Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation and Master's Thesis Awards. Somervill noted that the UNI awards do not have to be given if there are no outstanding theses or dissertation. Walker has been appointed to a three-year term on the MAGS Thesis Award Selection Committee.

Fahmy distributed a listing of Graduate Council Committees showing those who had agreed to serve and openings available. More will be finalized at the next meeting.

Somervill requested a summary report on the Master of Public Policy program and will ask Tom Fogarty to present it.

Durham asked if there were questions on the MPhil report distributed at the last

meeting. Swensen moved to approve the report as submitted. Motion was seconded and passed.

Safford said that he had information on a symposium on scholarly communication at the University of Iowa on November 14-16 if anyone is interested.

Following is a listing of designated alternates:

Graduate Council Member Alternate
Virginia Berg Darrell Wiens
Dennis Clayson
Norris Durham Julie Lowell
Mohammed Fahmy John Fecik
Annie Jones Carmen Montecinos
William Lew
Robert Martin Charles Quirk
Geofrey Mills
Sharon Smaldino Junko Lewis
Alice Swensen Victoria DeFrancisco

Items to be publicized include the orientation for new Graduate Coordinators and the November 12-13 grant workshop.

Durham moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Hesse
Secretary

Next meeting will be Thursday, October 10, 1991 at 3:30 p.m. in Gilchrist Board Room