Present:
Dr. Brenda Smith, Vice-Chair
Dr. Brian Arnall, Group I
Dr. Randi Eldevik, Group II
Dr. Tonia Sharlach, Group II
Dr. Albert Rosenberger, Group III
Dr. Josh Habiger, Group III
Dr. Jon Ramsey, Group V
Dr. Doug Smith, Group V
Dr. Adrienne Redmond Sanogo, Group V
Dr. Tom Oomens, Group VI

Graduate College:
Dr. Jean Van Delinder
Dr. Ken Clinkenbeard

Guests:
Dr. Evan Davis
Dr. Jim Burkman
Dr. Matt Lovern
Dr. Glade Topham
Dr. Ramesh Sharda
Catherine Haviland

Meeting
Vice-Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm with a quorum present. Following a motion and a second, the minutes of the meeting on October 23, 2015 were approved.

Deviation of Agenda
Vice-Chair Smith asked the Council for a deviation of the Agenda to accommodate the guests in attendance.

New Business
Academic Program Committee (APC).
- The College of Arts and Sciences proposed a name change in Zoology, to Integrative Biology, and Botany, to Plant Biology. The change was discussed with program representative Dr. Lovern. Dr. Lovern provided rationale behind the change requests and answered questions posed by the Council.
- The College of Human Sciences proposed a Program Option Modification to the M.S in Human Development and Family Science option in Early
Childhood Education. Dr. Topham provided rationale behind the change request answered and questions posed by the Council.

- The College of Human Sciences proposed an Option Name Change to the M.S in Human Development and Family Science option in Child and Family Services, to Applied Human Services. Dr. Topham provided rationale behind the change request and answered questions posed by the Council.
- The College of Human Sciences proposed a Program Requirement Change to the M.S in Human Development and Family Science. Dr. Topham provided rationale behind the change request and answered questions posed by the Council.
- The College of Human Sciences proposed a Program Requirement Change to the M.S in Human Development and Family Science option in Gerontology. Dr. Topham provided rationale behind the change request and answered questions posed by the Council.
- The College of Human Sciences proposed a Graduate Certificate in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Dr. Topham discussed the request.
- The College Human Sciences proposed a Graduate Certificate in Infant Mental Health. Dr. Topham discussed the request.
- The Spears School of Business requested Option Additions in Global Marketing, Energy Business, Data Science, Nonprofit Management, Business Sustainability, and Human Resource Management. Dr. Sharda discussed the changes and answered questions posed by the Council.
- The Spears School of Business requested to delete the options in Business Intelligence, Professional MBA, Telecommunications Management, and Management Information Systems. Dr. Sharda discussed the changes and answered questions posed by the Council.
- The Spears School of Business discussed the proposed name change from M.S. in Telecommunications Management to Information Assurance. Dr. Sharda discussed the request and answered questions posed by the Council.
- The Spears School of Business proposed a Graduate Certificate in Human Resources. Dr. Sharda discussed the proposal and answered questions posed by the Council.

Dr. Eldevik moved to vote on the topics immediately, rather than in their original place on the agenda. Dr. Ramsey seconded the motion and it was carried.

Dr. Ramsey then moved to vote on the discussed topics as a slate, rather than individually and Dr. Eldevik seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Academic Program Committee’s business on the behalf of the colleges was passed.

**GPSGA Report**

GPSGA President, Ms. Catherine Haviland provided an overview of the GPSGA activities. Recently, the group will be cooking for Mission of Hope on November 19
and is continuing to look for ways to support the charity. The GPSGA Research Materials Grant is due by December 4. The GPSGA mailed a letter in support of the Fair Access to Science and Technology Research Act of 2015 to our congressional delegation. Finally, GPSGA is continuing steps to include graduate students at the Tulsa campus. Ms. Haviland answered questions posed by the Council.

**Graduate College Report**
Dr. Van Delinder gave the Graduate College Report on behalf of Dr. Tucker. The October Group Subject Matter Meetings were completed without issue. Vice-Chair Smith then spoke on her progress with establishing a task force on creative components. Dr. Van Delinder reported that the Dean’s Council approved the 60 hour PhD program, and that Graduate College visits to individual programs are continuing. Programs that have not yet had a visit will be scheduled in the coming weeks. She then reminded the council that commencement is on December 11 and that the chairs are part of the stage party. Dr. Clinkenbeard then gave a report on the successful completion of the 3 Minute Presentation finals and announced the creation of the 3 Minute Challenge, where the winners of the 3 Minute Presentation will square off against the winners of the 3 Minute Thesis. He also reported on the progress in implementing CollegeNET and Prospect and outlined the recruitment capabilities Prospect can bring to individual programs.

**Old Business**
No Old Business was discussed.

**Other**
Vice Chair Smith reported on the ongoing efforts to improve communication between the council and graduate faculty. The council expressed consternation about allowing a central representative to send email on their behalf. Instead, a new service account built to cater to the needs of the Graduate Council was proposed.

Dr. Arnall moved to adjourn and Dr. Ramsay seconded. After passing, the meeting was adjourned at 2:24 pm.