Graduate Council Minutes
November 16, 2012

Present:
- Dr. Lowell Caneday, Vice-Chair
- Dr. William McGlynn, Group I
- Dr. Allen Scott, Group II
- Dr. Barry Lavine, Group III
- Dr. Mark Wilkins, Group III
- Dr. Amanda Morris, Group IV
- Dr. Tim Passmore, Group V
- Dr. Don Boswell, Group V
- Dr. Pamela Lloyd, Group VI
- Dr. Earl Blewett, Group VI
- Dr. Bruce Benjamin, CHS

Graduate College:
- Dr. Sheryl A. Tucker
- Dr. Jean Van Delinder
- Dr. Craig Satterfield
- Mr. Richard Shepard

Guests:
- Rachael Eike, GPSGA
- Dr. Ron Van Den bussche
- Dr. Laura Hubbs-Tait
- Dr. Raj N. Singh

Dr. Caneday called the meeting to order at 1:20 pm with a quorum present. Following a motion (Scott) and a second (Wilkins) the minutes of November 16, 2012 were approved.

GPSGA Report:
GPSGA officers attended the National GPG Association in November and came back with suggestions for streamlining our meetings. Officers would like to develop a current concepts club, social environment (successes, struggles) in the spring. Election for new officers will be March 8 to allow for more transition time.

Graduate College Report – Graduate College Commencement is December 14. We have 3 honorary Marshals for Commencement.

New Program Requests/Changes
- MS in Music, Proposed Name Change – APC Moved to accept, Tim Passmore seconded. Approved
- MS in Human Development and Family Science, Option Addition and Program
Requirement Change. APC moved to accept, seconded by Wilkins. Further discussion resulted in program tabled for further consideration and encouraged to consult with other stakeholders. Seconded by Passmore to send to Bruce Benjamin and Bridget Miller.

MS and PhD in Material Sciences and Engineering – two new degree requests from the School of Material Sciences and Engineering in the College of Engineering. Last spring “General Engineering” was re-named Material Sciences and Engineering. The Council asked the program to clarify language on hours required, admission requirements refer to rather loose language. After further discussion it was decided to table both programs until next meeting. Additional work needed to be done such as contacting possible conflicting programs, clarify the degree requirements, specific the faculty committed to program, and explain the admission requirements (thesis vs dissertation).

Old Business
- Graduate Council Rules of Order – Tabled until next meeting.

New Business
- Fall Graduate Faculty Nominations and Renewals were brought forward from the Membership Committee – Recommended as a motion, Scott seconded.

- Graduate Student Support Issues Task Force Report. Dean Tucker asked the Council to endorse the final recommendation of the Task Force. Ron Van den Bussche, co-chair, was present to answer questions. The Council endorsed the report

Other
Next meeting is December 12

Adjourned at 3:07 pm