UNIVERSITY GRADUATE COUNCIL
January 26, 2009
Minutes

PRESENT: Klomparens (GS), E. Outslay (BUS), J. Lonstein (CSS), G. Burgett-Thrasher (MUS), M. Boyer (COGS), G. Dummer (ED), M. Noel (CHM), L. Sordillo (CVM), M. Madan (COGS), J. Rowan (COM), J. Lindquist (CAL), M. Horodynski (NUR), D. Long (CNS), R. Blom (COGS), S. Cendrowski (CNS), D. Favre (LAW), C. Radcliffe (EGR)

GUESTS: C. Alsup (LAW), M. Halloran (LAW), R. Grumet (Plant Breeding & Genetics), D. Sprecher (CVM), H. Abreu (CVM), K. Domer (Theatre), D. Closs (BUS), S. Watts (Research Integrity Council)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
The agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The minutes of 11/17/08 were approved, no corrections.

AGENDA

1. Remarks from the Chairperson. (Outslay)
   a. Academic year “task force” planning a survey on options. Many topics are on the list for discussion. Please take the survey!
   b. Academic Council – working on by-laws (from Faculty Voice discussions). New name for UGC = “Graduate Studies Committee”

2. Remarks from the Graduate School. (Klomparens)
   a. No NRC methodology report yet. Guess in mid-February for this.
   b. Announcement (handout) – MSU received one of the 5 grants from the Council of Graduate Schools for a project on Scholarly Integrity (https://www.msu.edu/~rohler/rnfall08/CGSgrant.htm)

3. Remarks from the COGS Representative. (Madan)
   b. COGS passed resolution regarding increasing the number of grad and professional students in study abroad programs

4. Reports of the University Graduate Council Subcommittees.
   a. G. Dummer - Res Misconduct Procedure revisions underway. We hope to be on the February UGC agenda for consideration
   b. Policy – Integrity in Scholarship and Grades discussion (Joe Lonstein) revisions underway (UCAP also considering changes at the undergrad level)
   c. Clarke Radcliffe offered draft language on linked B&M programs.
5. *Request to change the requirements for the Production Medicine Scholars Admission Pathway leading to the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degree in Veterinary Medicine in the College of Veterinary Medicine. (attached) APPROVED

6. *Request to change the requirements for the Juris Doctor in the Michigan State University College of Law. (attached) APPROVED

7. *Request to change the name of the Master of Science degree program in Plant Breeding and Genetics-Crop and Soil Sciences in the department of Crop and Soil Sciences from Plant Breeding and Genetics-Crop and Soil Sciences to Plant Breeding, Genetics and Biotechnology-Crop and Soil Sciences. (attached) APPROVED

8. *Request to disband the Master of Arts degree in Apparel and Textiles in the College of Arts and Letters. (attached) APPROVED

9. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Theatre in the Department of Theatre. (attached) APPROVED

10. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Fine Arts degree in Theatre in the Department of Theatre. (attached) APPROVED

11. *Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Master of Science Degree in Operations and Engineering Management. (attached) APPROVED

12. *Request to Change the Administrative Responsibility and Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Supply Chain Management. (attached) APPROVED

13. *Request to change the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Special Education in the Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education. (attached) APPROVED

14. Research Integrity Council – S. Watts
   a. Inventory of RCR activities in 11 pilot departments, then expansion to all departments
   b. Development of a web page to have resources available for faculty and students
   c. Posters on the “Kende” principles (http://grad.msu.edu/all/ris04relations.pdf)
   d. Needs assessment for what MSU needs to do to improve in RCR education
   e. Suggestion: MSU lab notebooks with Principles listed on these as a reminder

16. Roundtable
   a. G. Dummer – College of Education is looking at general research requirements for college grad programs. Gail encouraged scholarly integrity, they interviewed faculty at other universities – no one seemed to have a grasp on RCR. MSU more active than most!
   b. M. Boyer – Academic year task force – when the survey comes out – please encourage graduate students to take it! “J” term idea for study abroad (“January” term). Iowa has one.

17. Adjournment.